

Interplay between nuclear structure and chiral magnetic effect in isobar collisions

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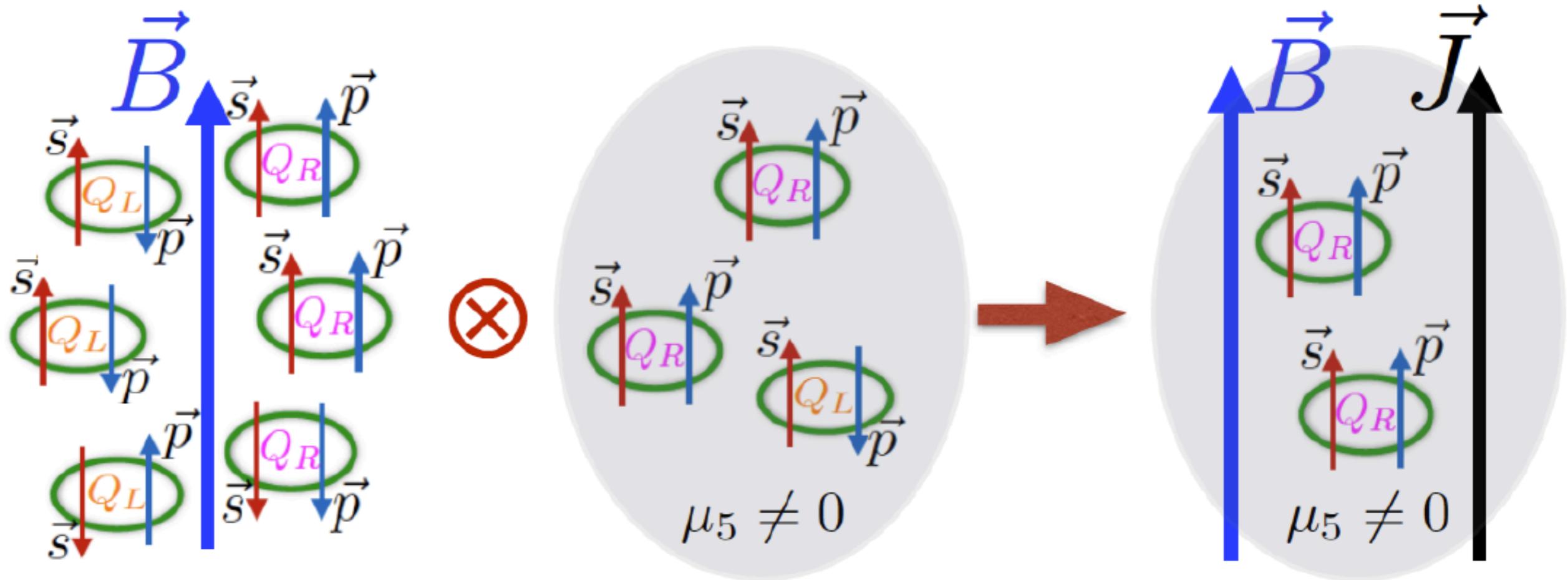
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- **Introduction**
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- **CME in isobar collisions**
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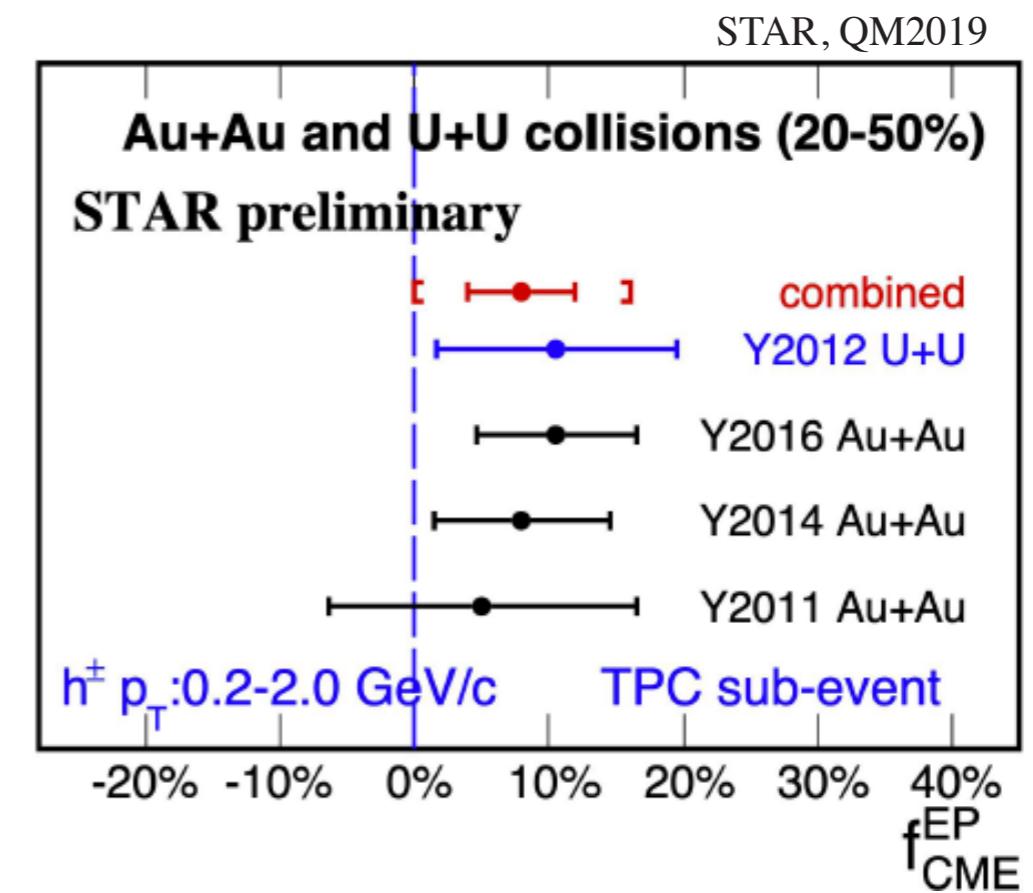
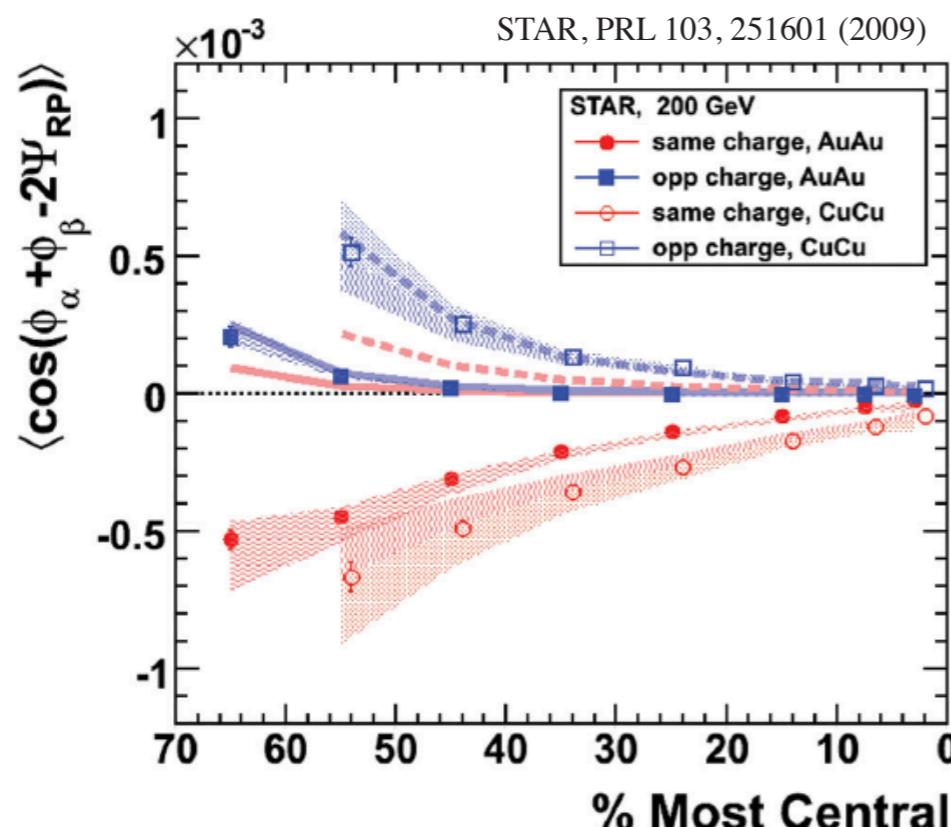
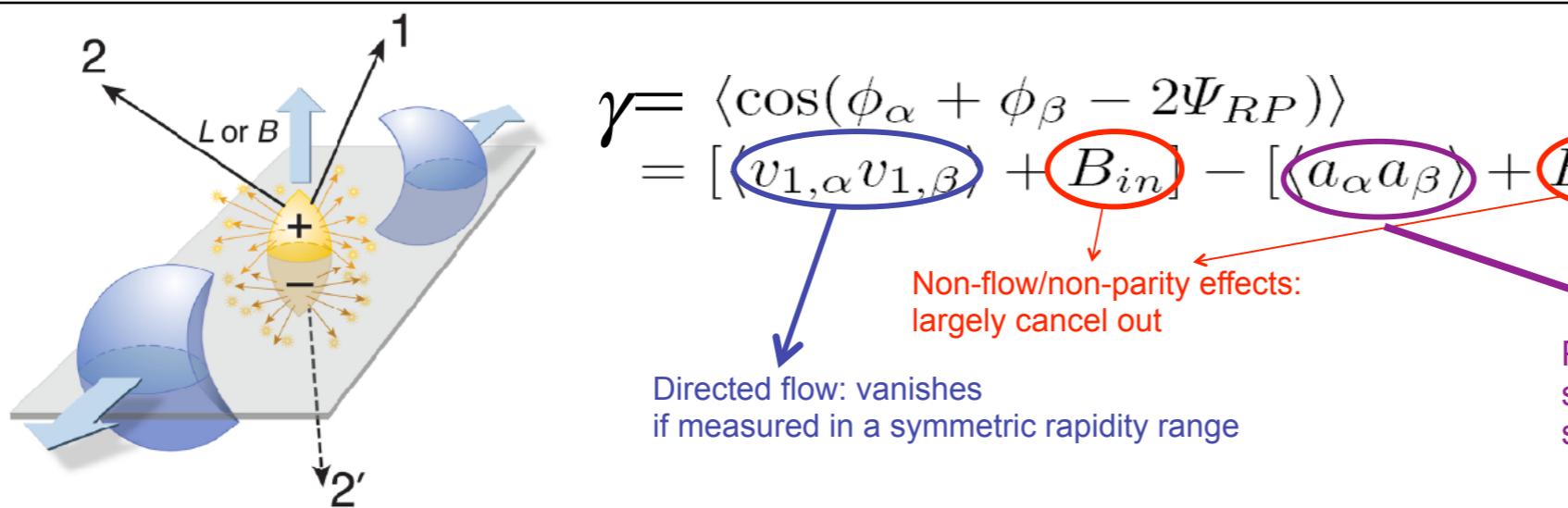
Chiral Magnetic Effect (CME)



- Initial fluctuations of topological charge in QCD vacuum \rightarrow P and CP odd metastable domains \rightarrow Charge separation in the direction of magnetic field

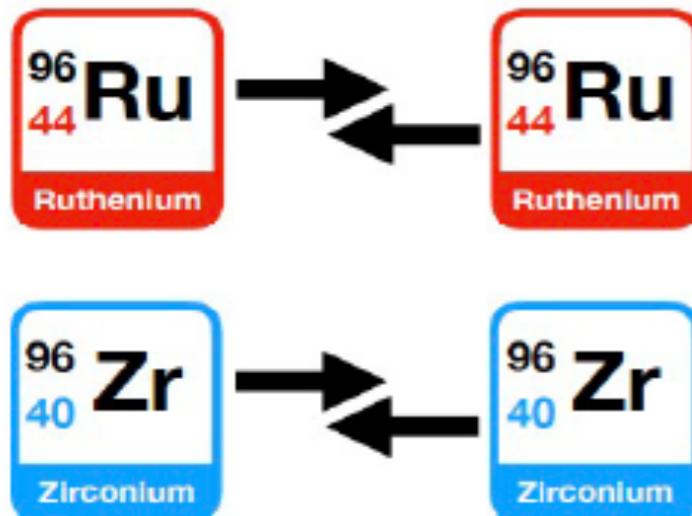
$$\text{Chiral Magnetic Effect: } \mathbf{J} = \frac{qe}{2\pi^2} \mu_5 \mathbf{B}$$

CME observable: charge azimuthal correlation γ

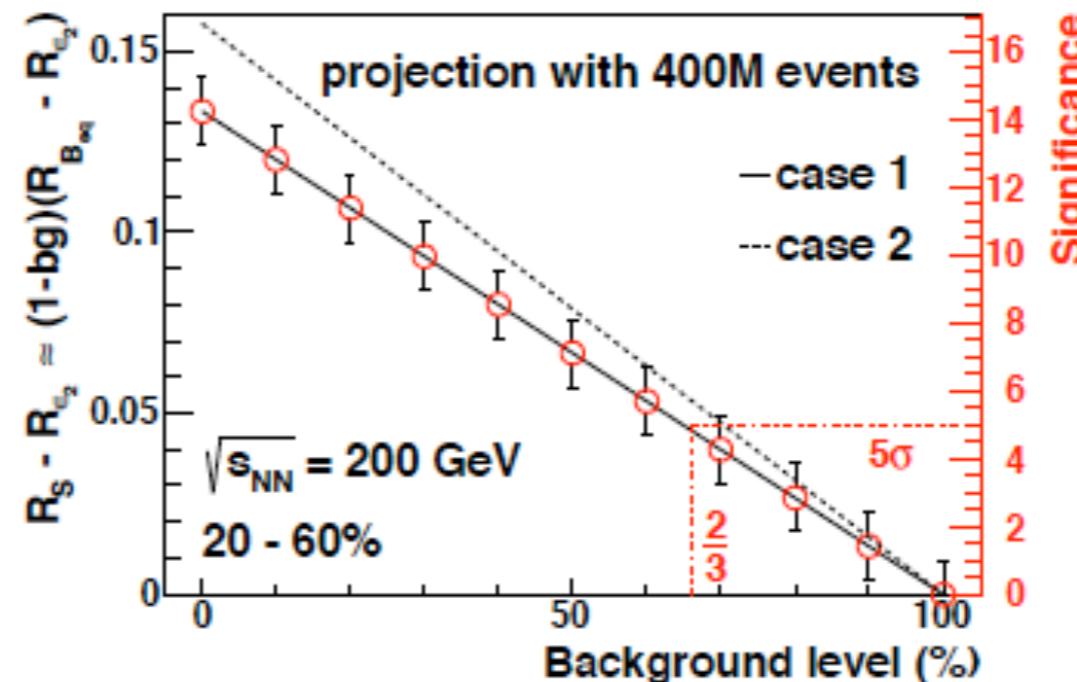


- First STAR result was consistent with the CME expectation, dipole charge separation.
- Recent STAR result indicated the CME fraction in $\Delta\gamma$ is small, background is dominant.

Isobar collision experiment



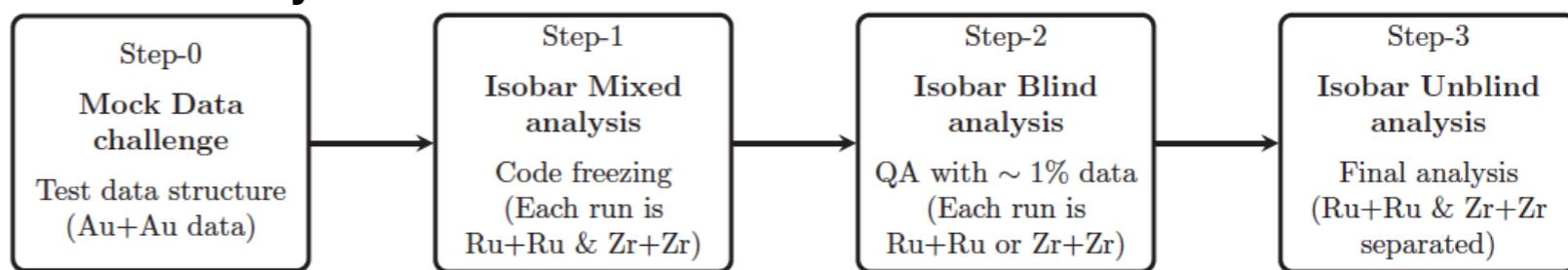
**Charge Asymmetry
Correlation Measurement**



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Guo-Liang Ma, Gang Wang,
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- 400 million simulation events at 2/3 background scale, relative difference between two isobar collisions reaches 5%, and the significance is 5σ .

Blind analysis:



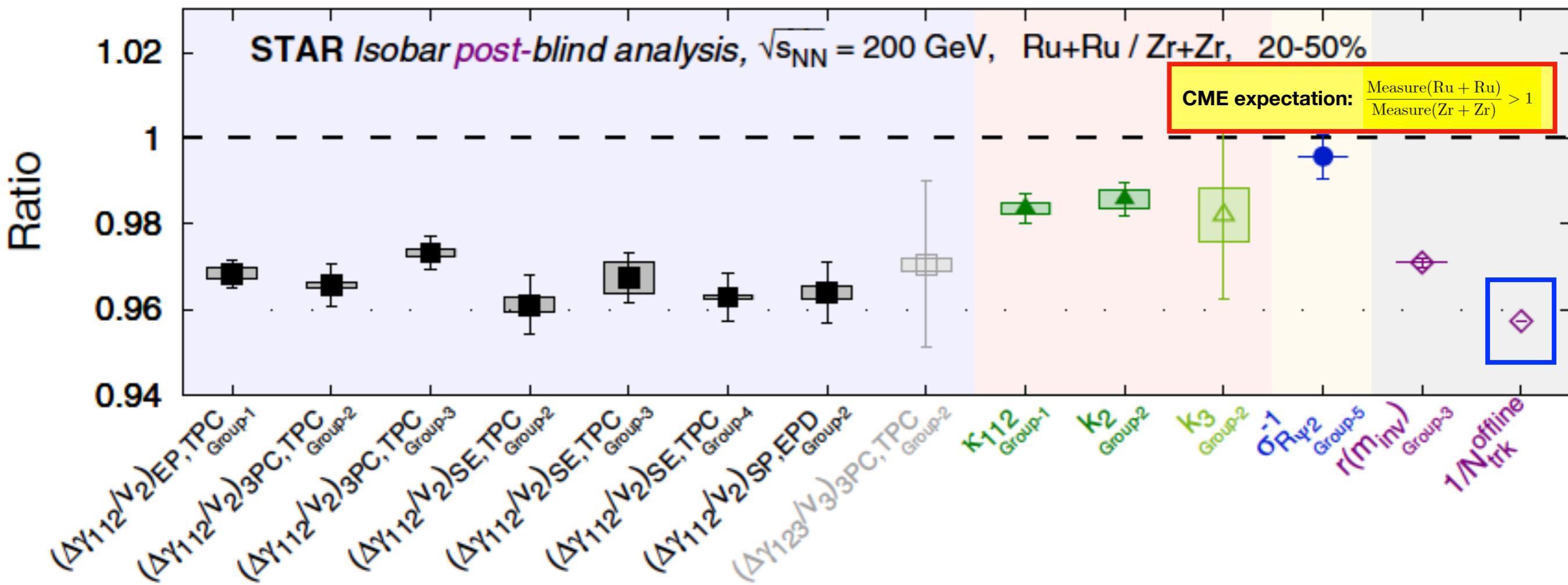
- In 2018, STAR collected isobar data (1.8B Ru+Ru & 2.0B Zr+Zr), looking for the CME expectation.
- Five teams conducted blind analysis.

CME expectation:

$$\frac{\text{Measure}(\text{Ru} + \text{Ru})}{\text{Measure}(\text{Zr} + \text{Zr})} > 1$$

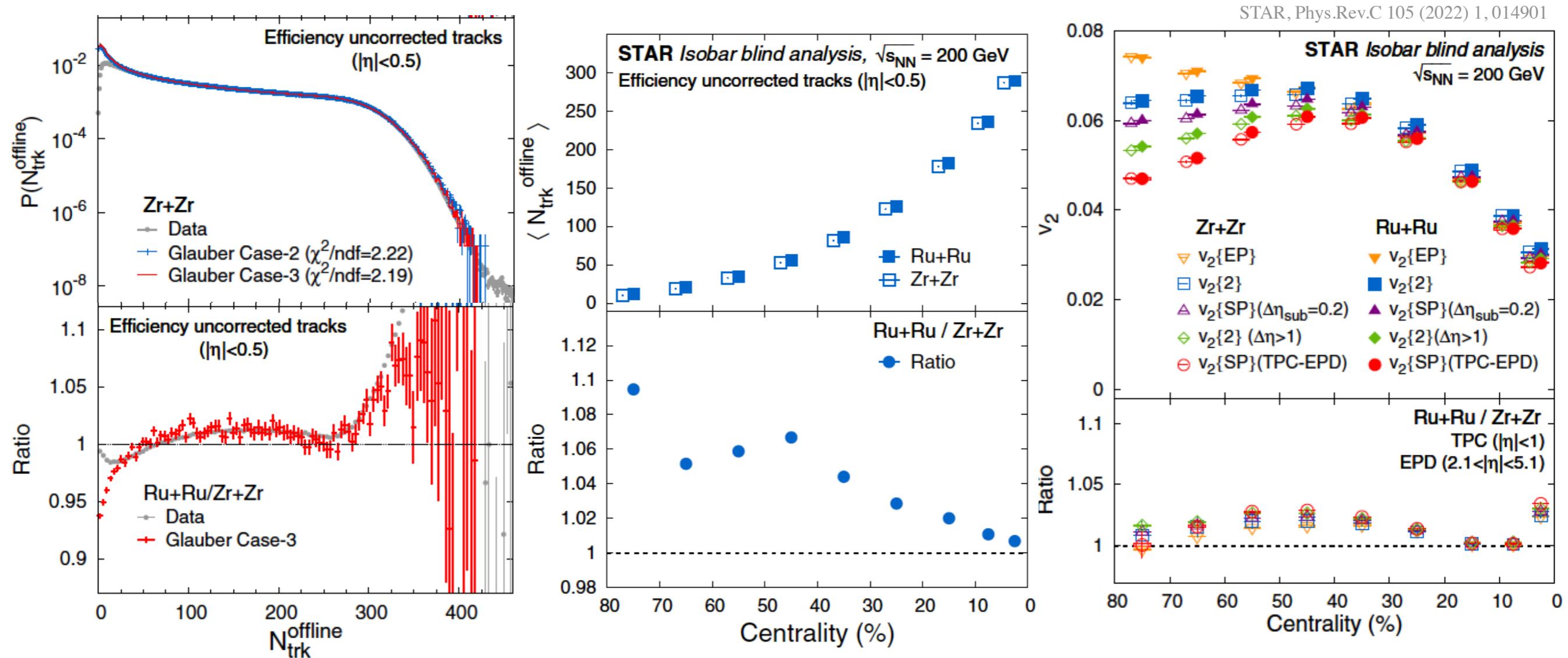
First isobar results from STAR experiment

Search for the chiral magnetic effect with isobar collisions at $\sqrt{s_{NN}} = 200$ GeV by the STAR Collaboration at the BNL Relativistic Heavy Ion Collider



- Five analysis teams show a good agreement: "The ratios are generally less than 1, and no obvious CME signal is found"
- Need to better understand the baseline? set a new baseline?

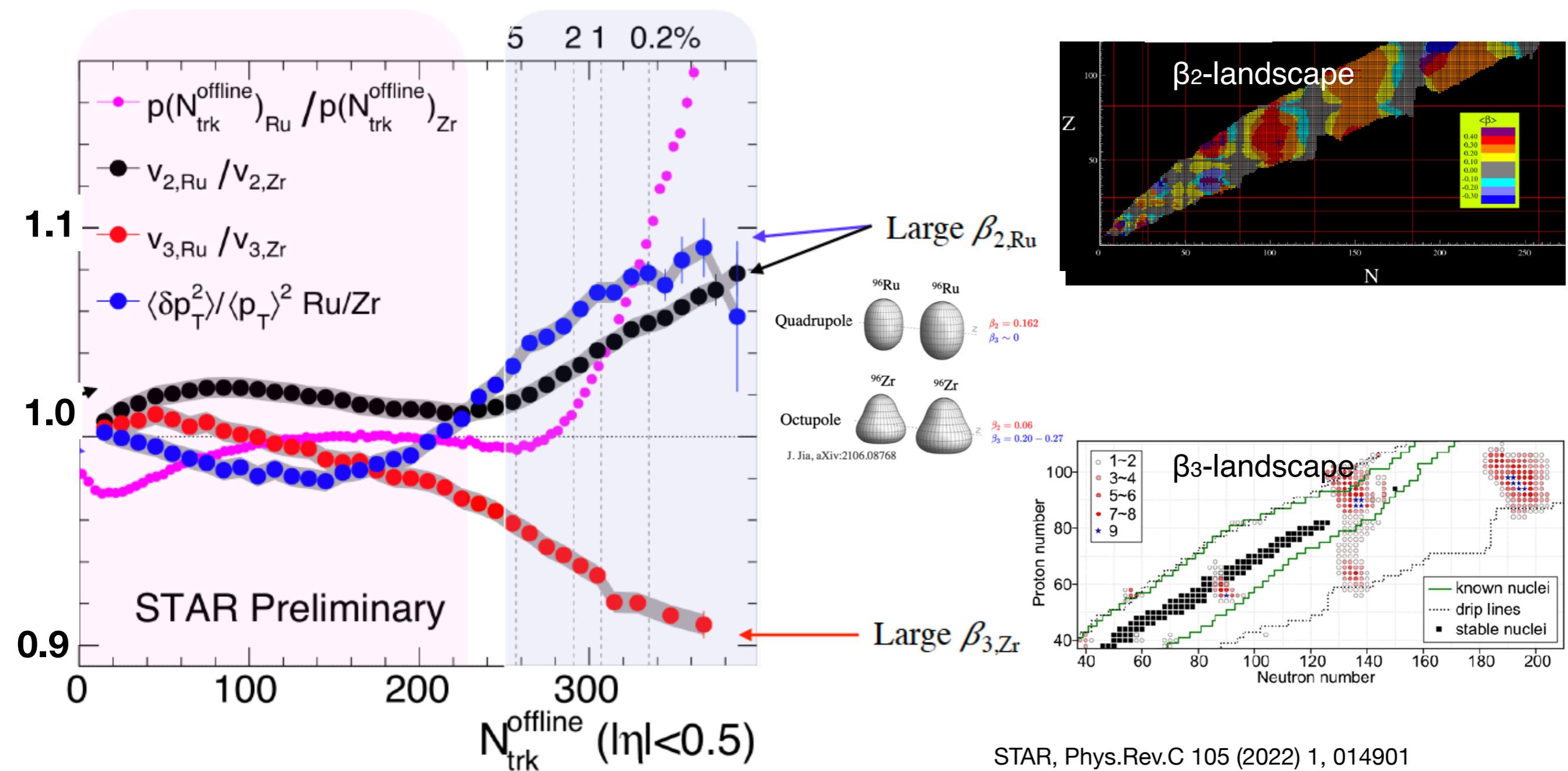
Understand background difference in isobar collisions



- Difference in multiplicity distribution, $\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle$ and v_2 between two isobar systems.
- Related to the nuclear deformation/structure?

Nucleus	Case-1 [83]			Case-2 [83]			Case-3 [113]			Other cases?
	R (fm)	a (fm)	β_2	R (fm)	a (fm)	β_2	R (fm)	a (fm)	β_2	
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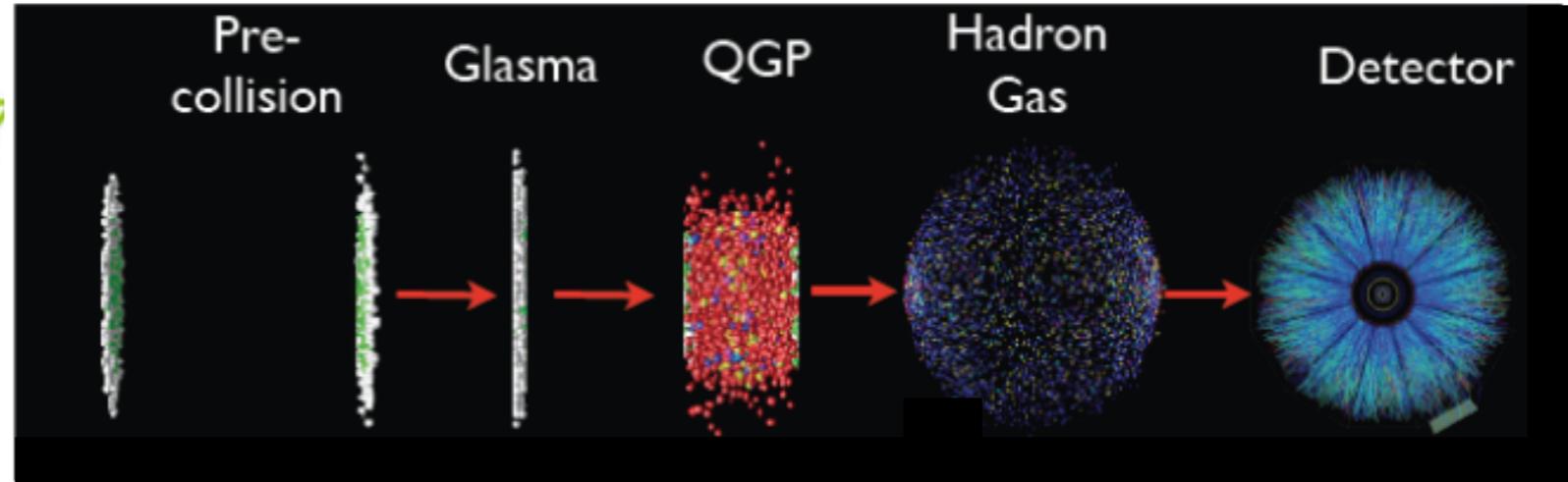
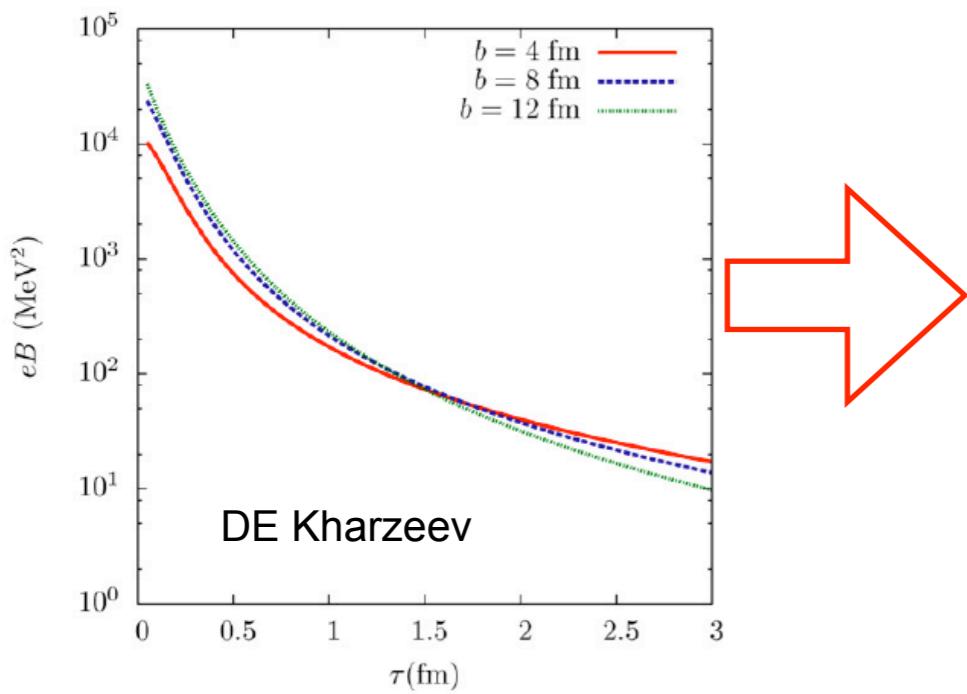
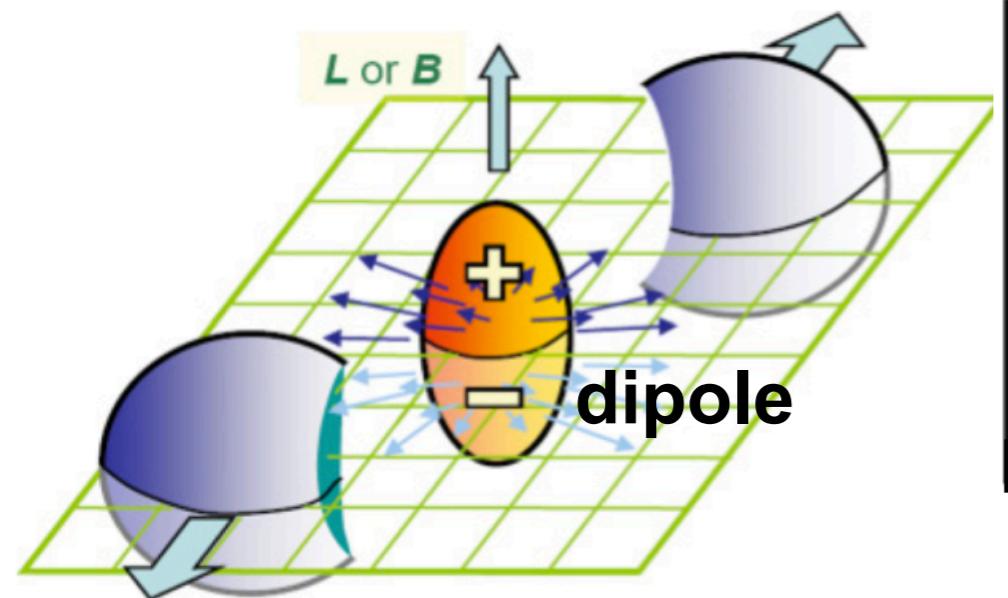
Nuclear structure in relativistic heavy-ion collisions



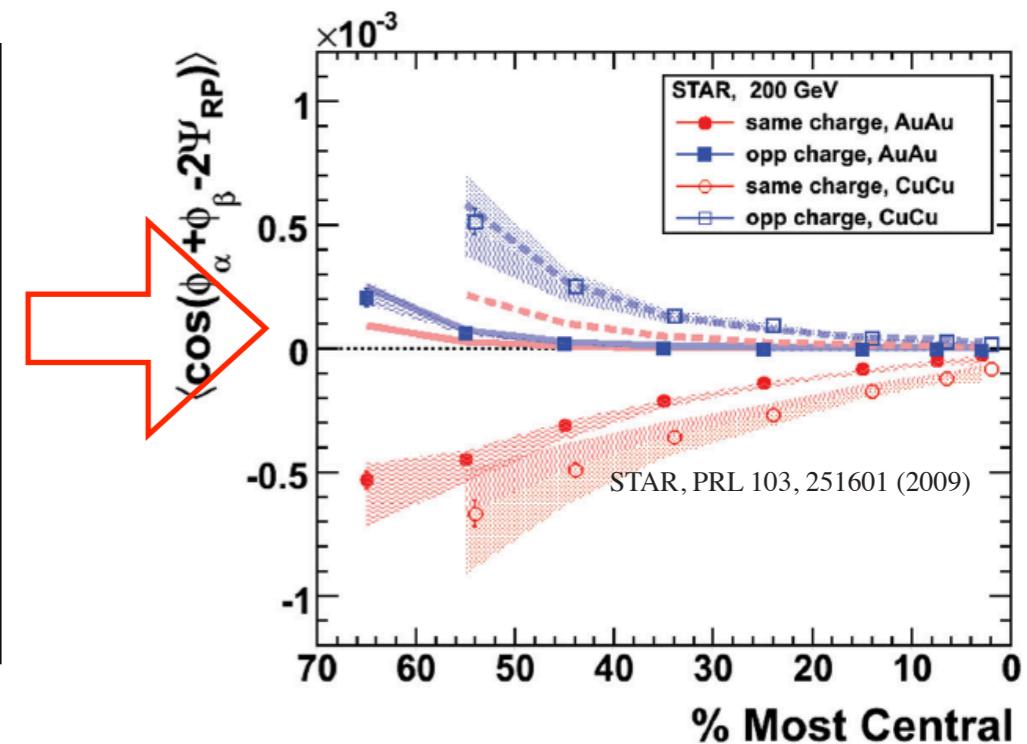
- The ratios between isobar systems is sensitive to nuclear deformation/structure!
- Open a window to see nuclear structure

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Survival of CME in relativistic heavy-ion collisions

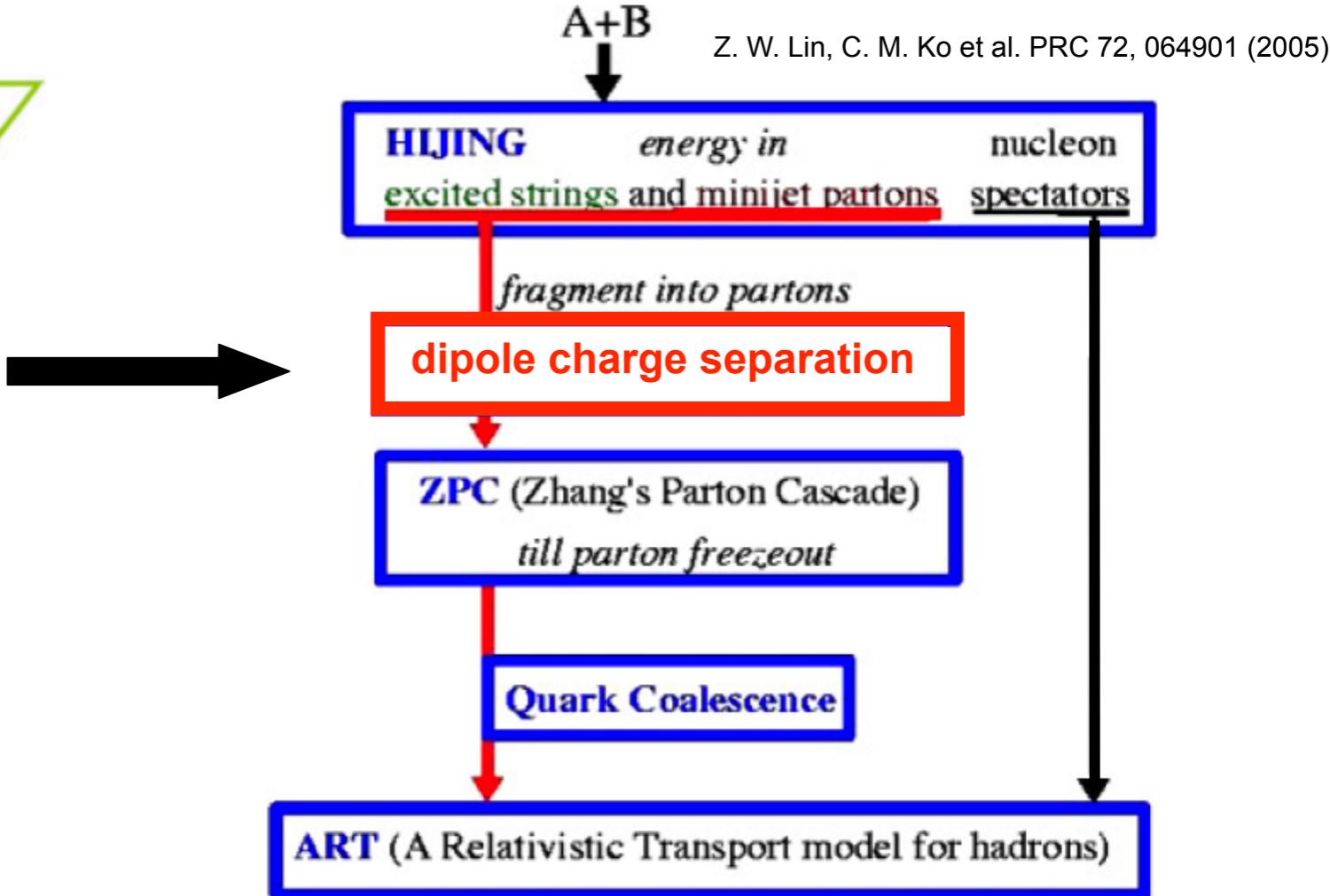
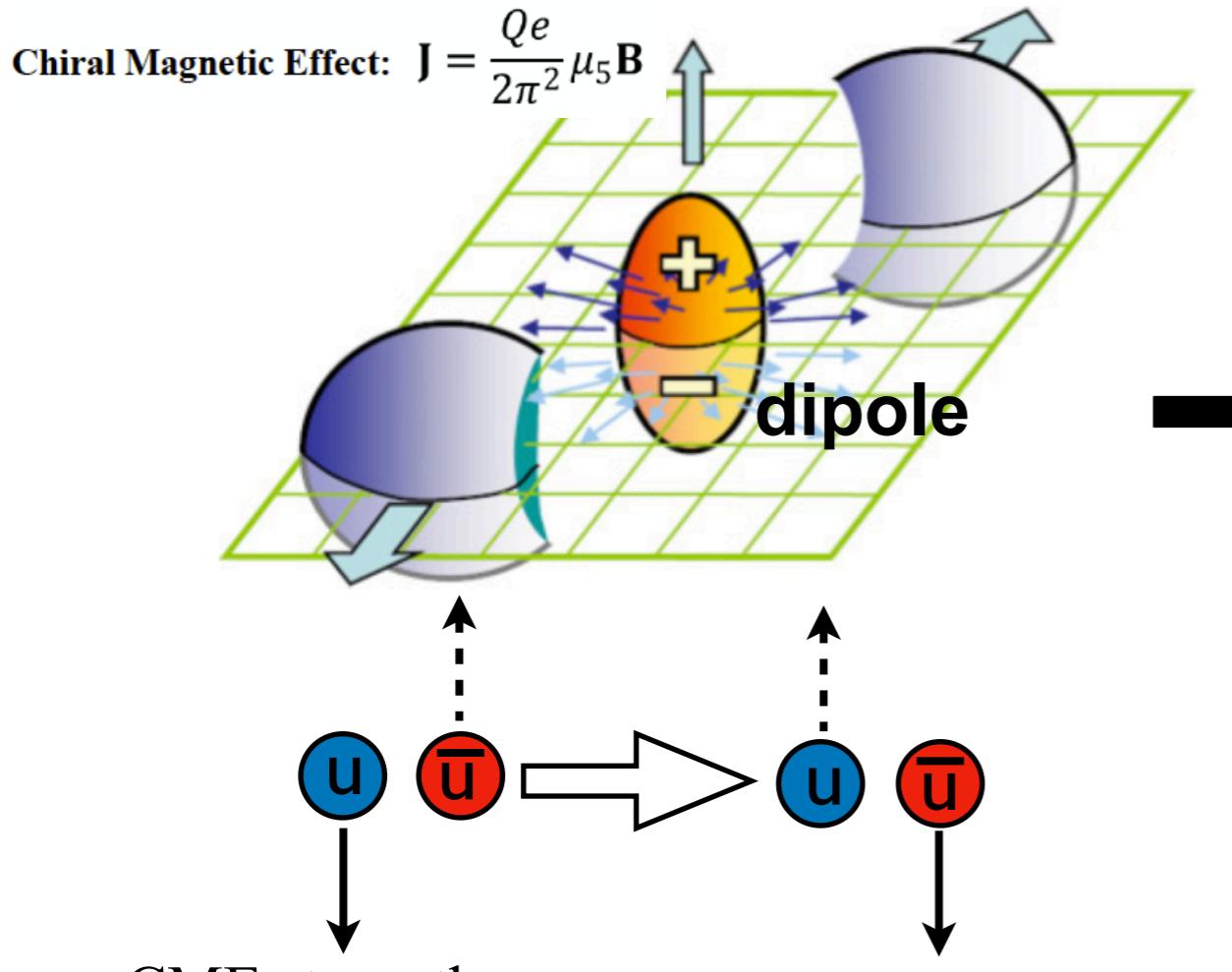


final state
interaction
effects



- It is important to study FSI effects on initial CME to see if CME can survive from FSI in heavy-ion collisions.

AMPT model with CME-type charge separation

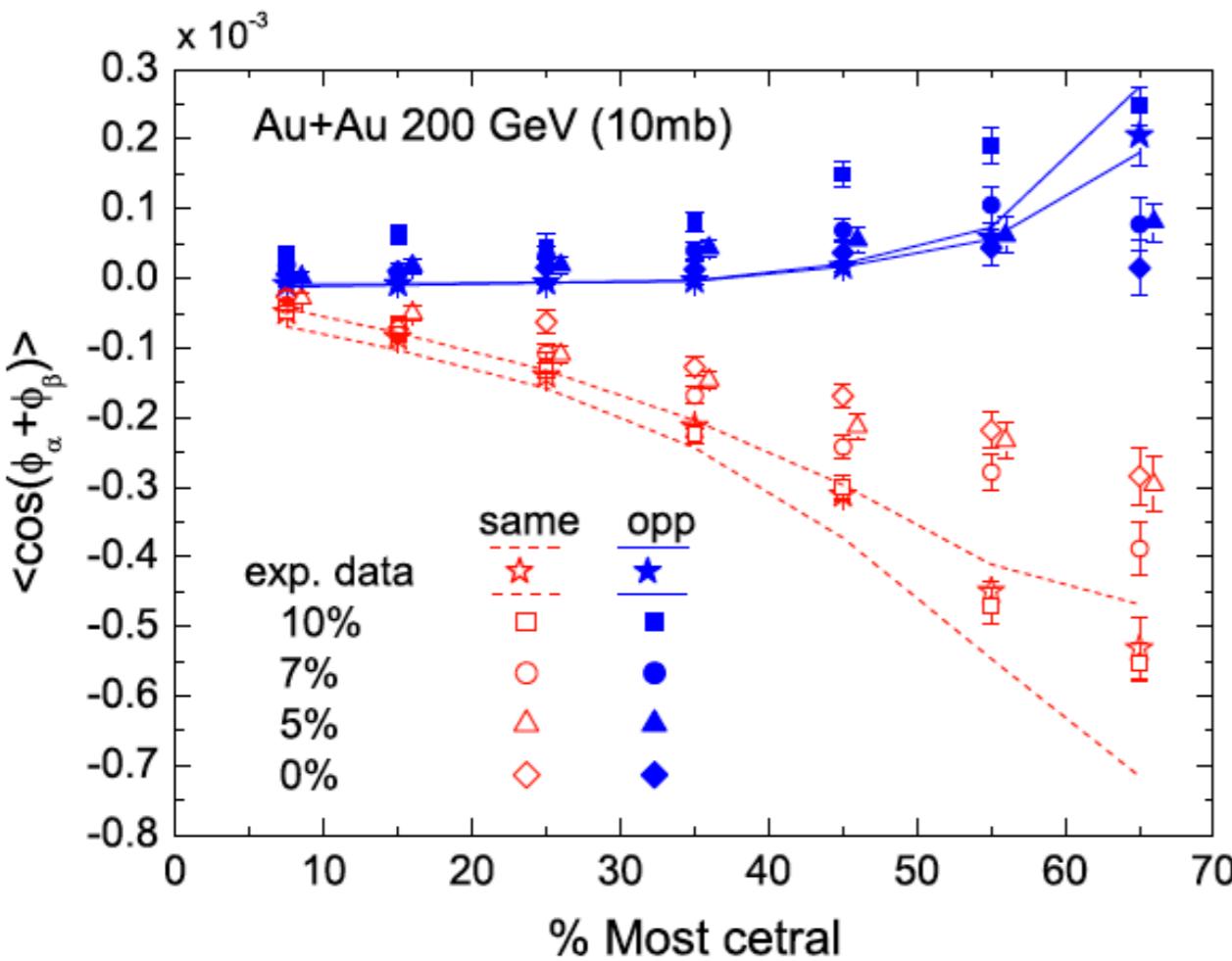


CME strength:

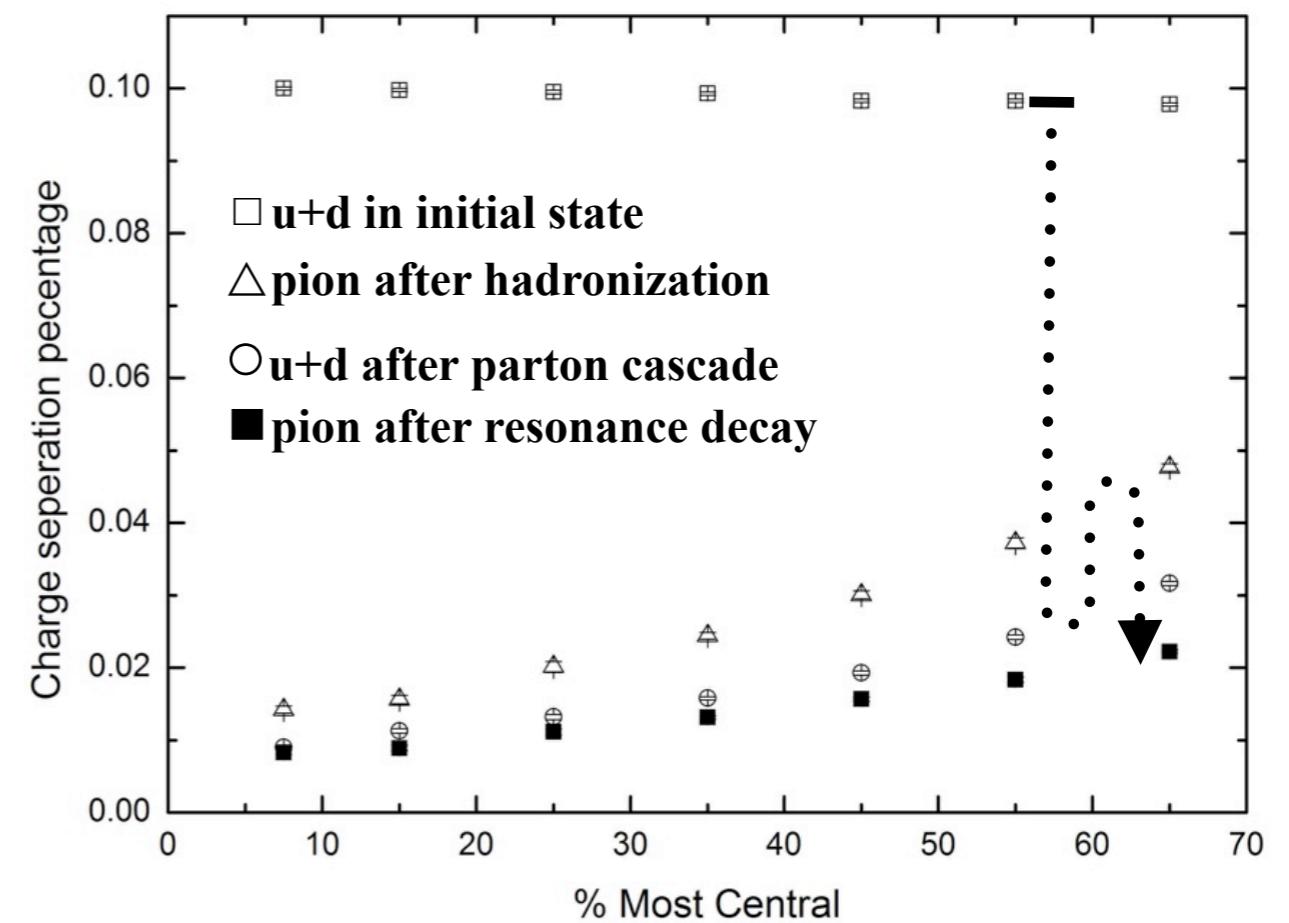
$$f\% = (N_{\text{upward}}^+ - N_{\text{downward}}^+) / (N_{\text{upward}}^+ + N_{\text{downward}}^+)$$

- To include initial dipole charge separation (CME) into AMPT model, We switch p_y of $f\%$ of the downward moving u quarks with those of the upward moving u-bar quarks, and likewise for d-bar and d quarks.
- We focus on FSI effects on the charge separation, including parton cascade, hadronization, resonance decays after \bar{B} and \bar{E} vanish quickly.

AMPT results on the observable γ



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- $\gamma = \text{BG} + \text{CME}$

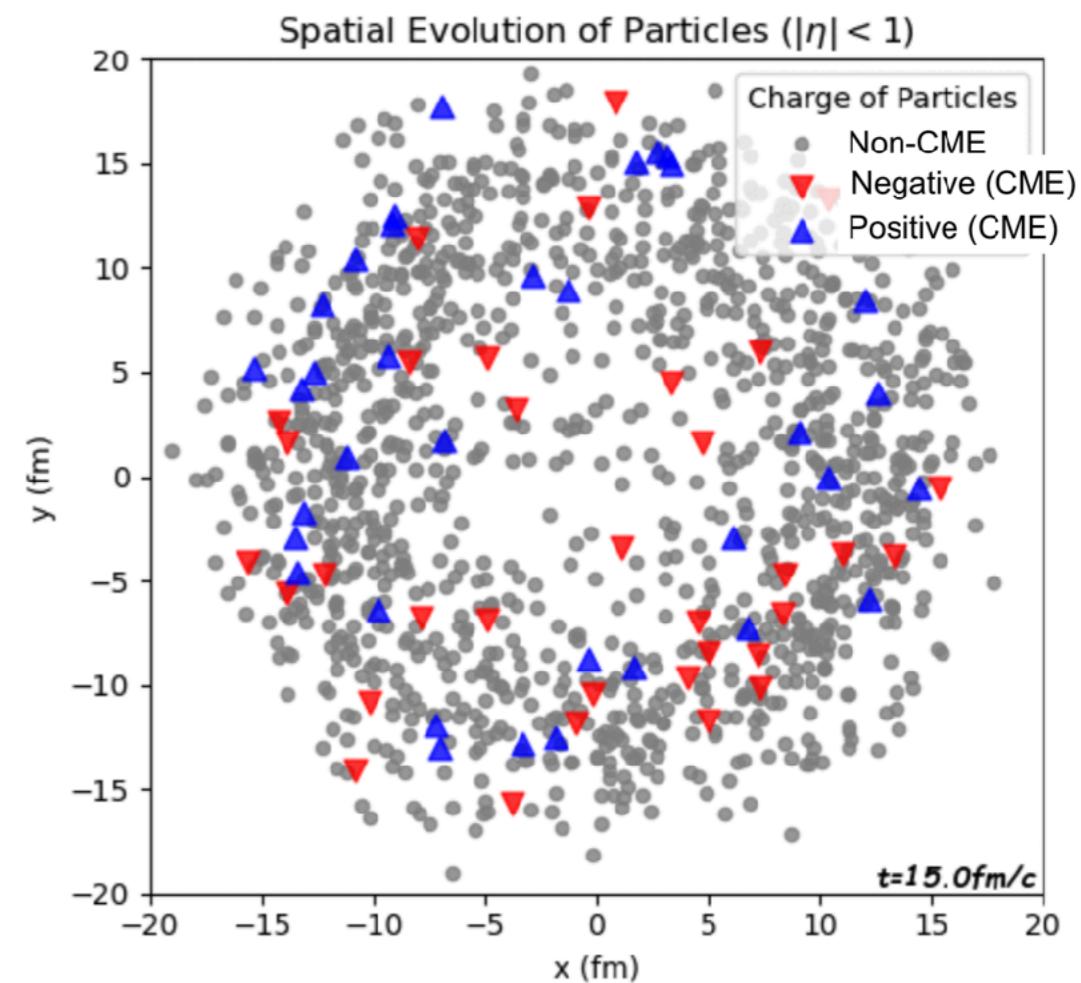
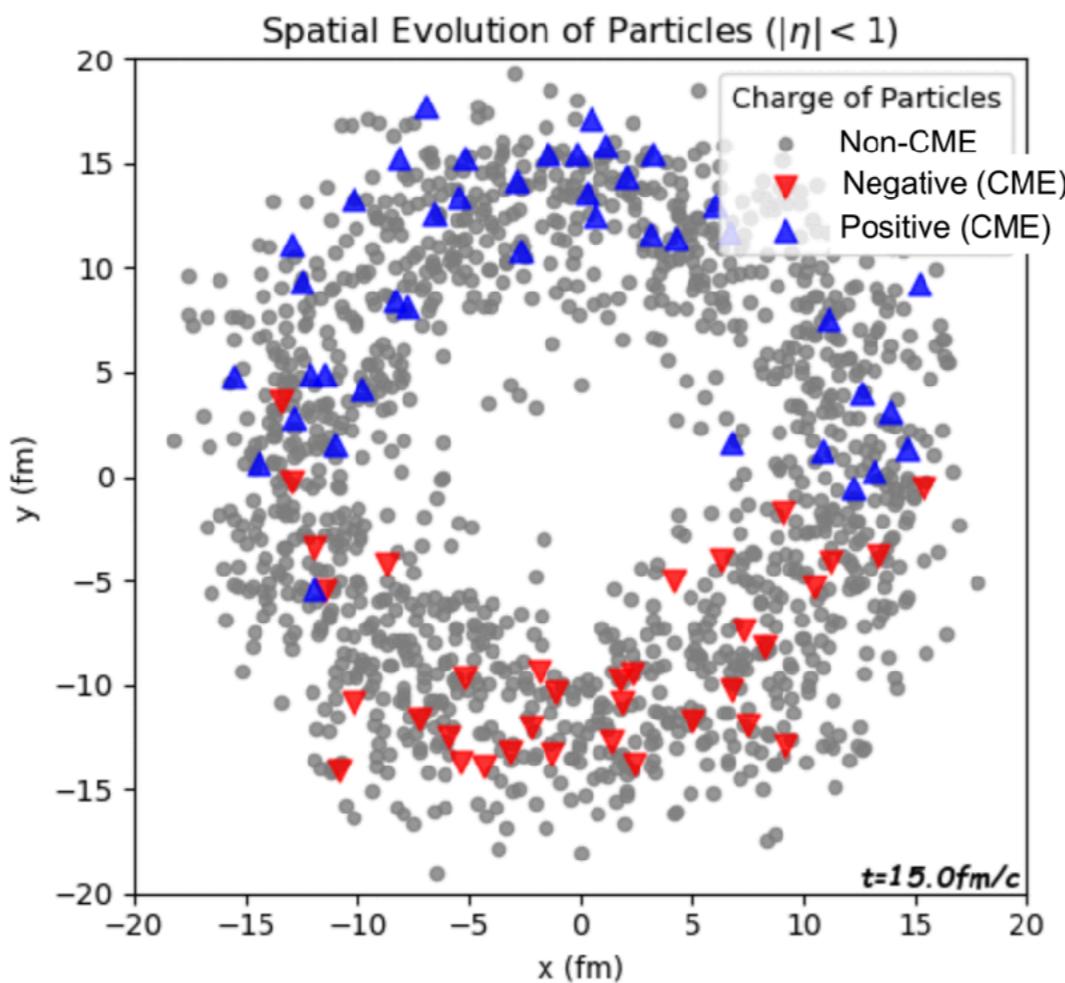
- An initial charge separation $\sim 10\%$ is needed to describe Au+Au data
- **Non-linear sensitivity:** γ can not respond to a CME strength of $f \leq 5\%$
- **Final state interaction effect:** Only a small fraction of CME can survive

Parton cascade effect on the CME signal

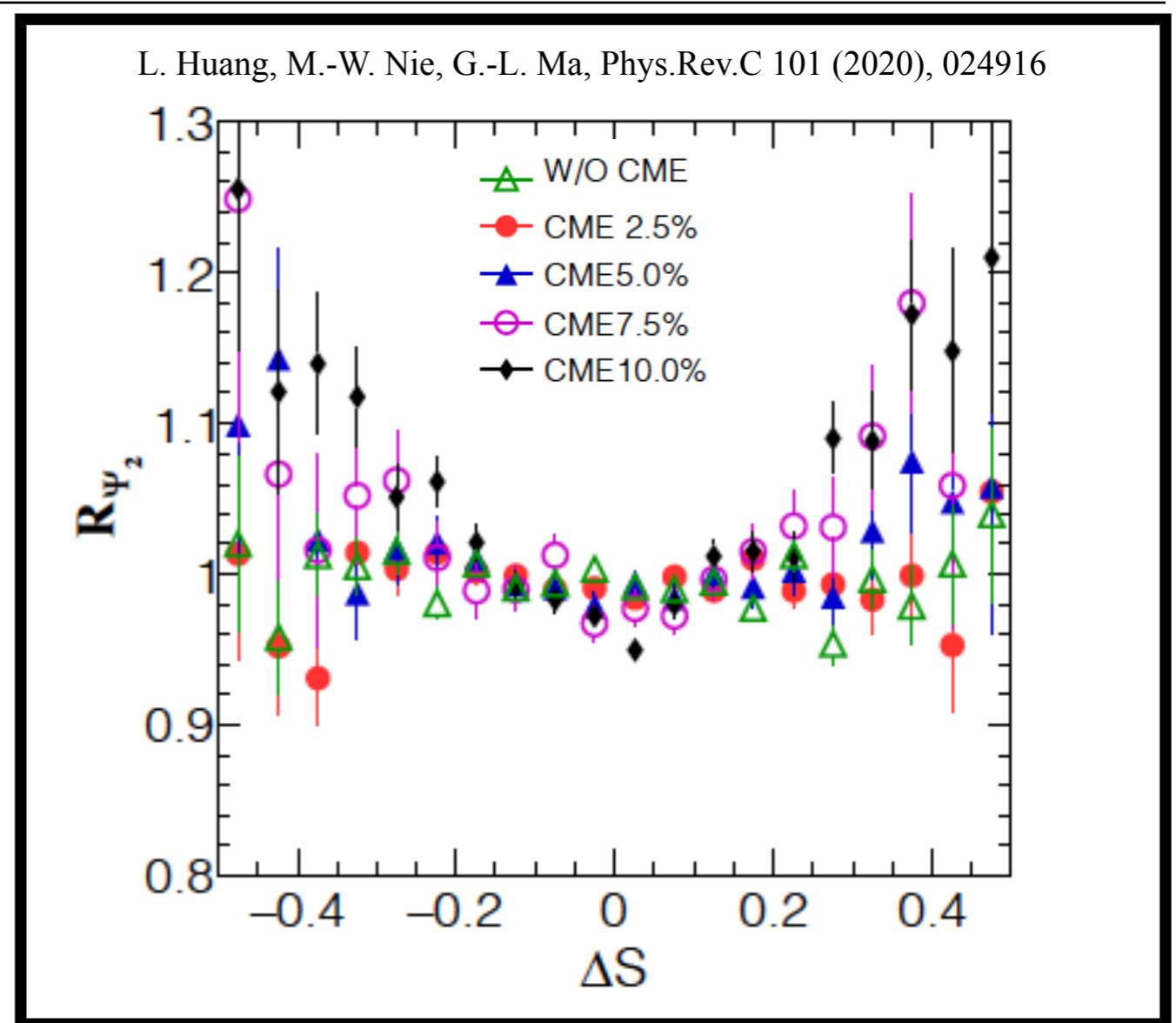
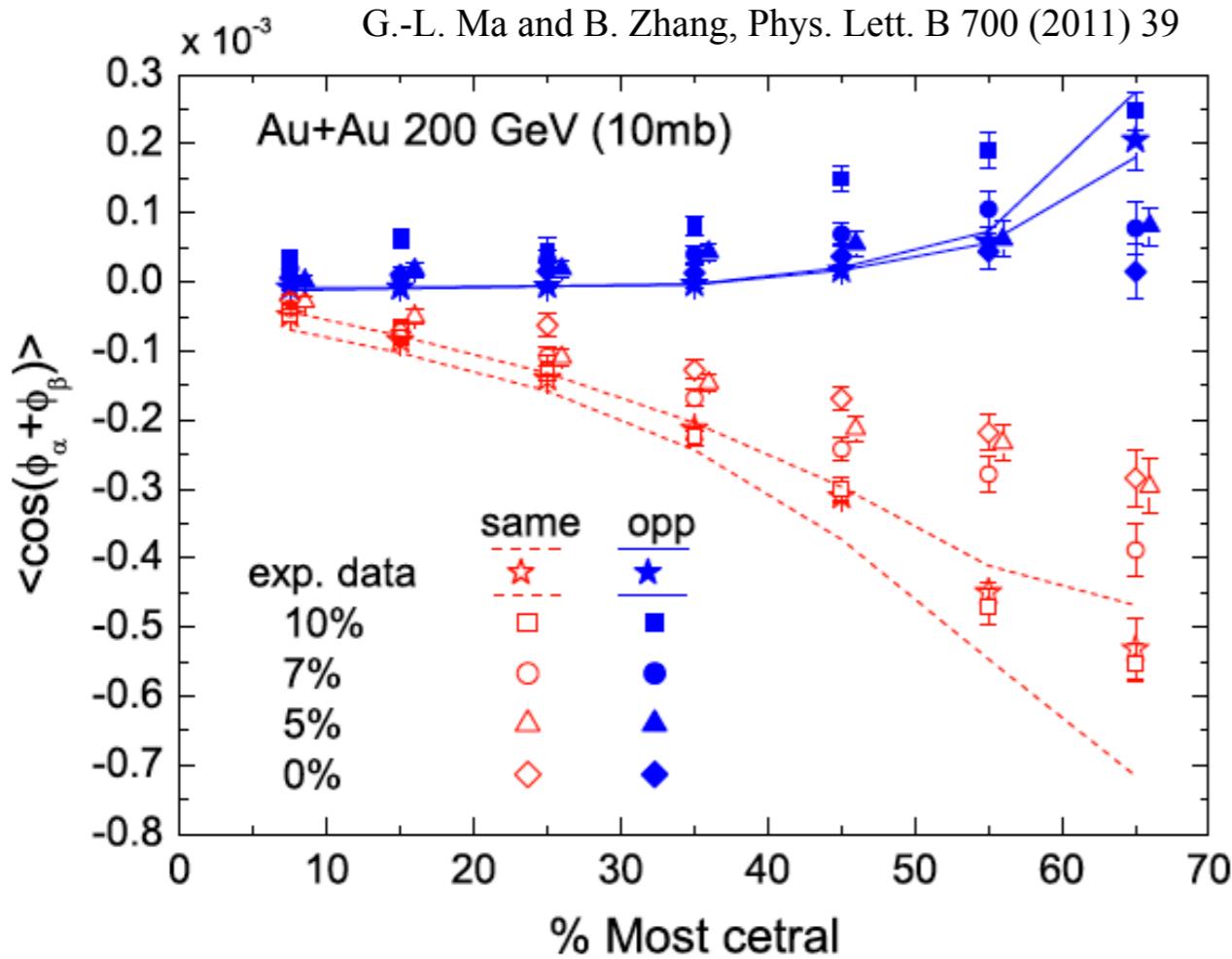
Au+Au 200 GeV ($b=8\text{fm}$), AMPT+CME(10%)

0 mb

3 mb



AMPT results on the observables γ and R_{Ψ_2}

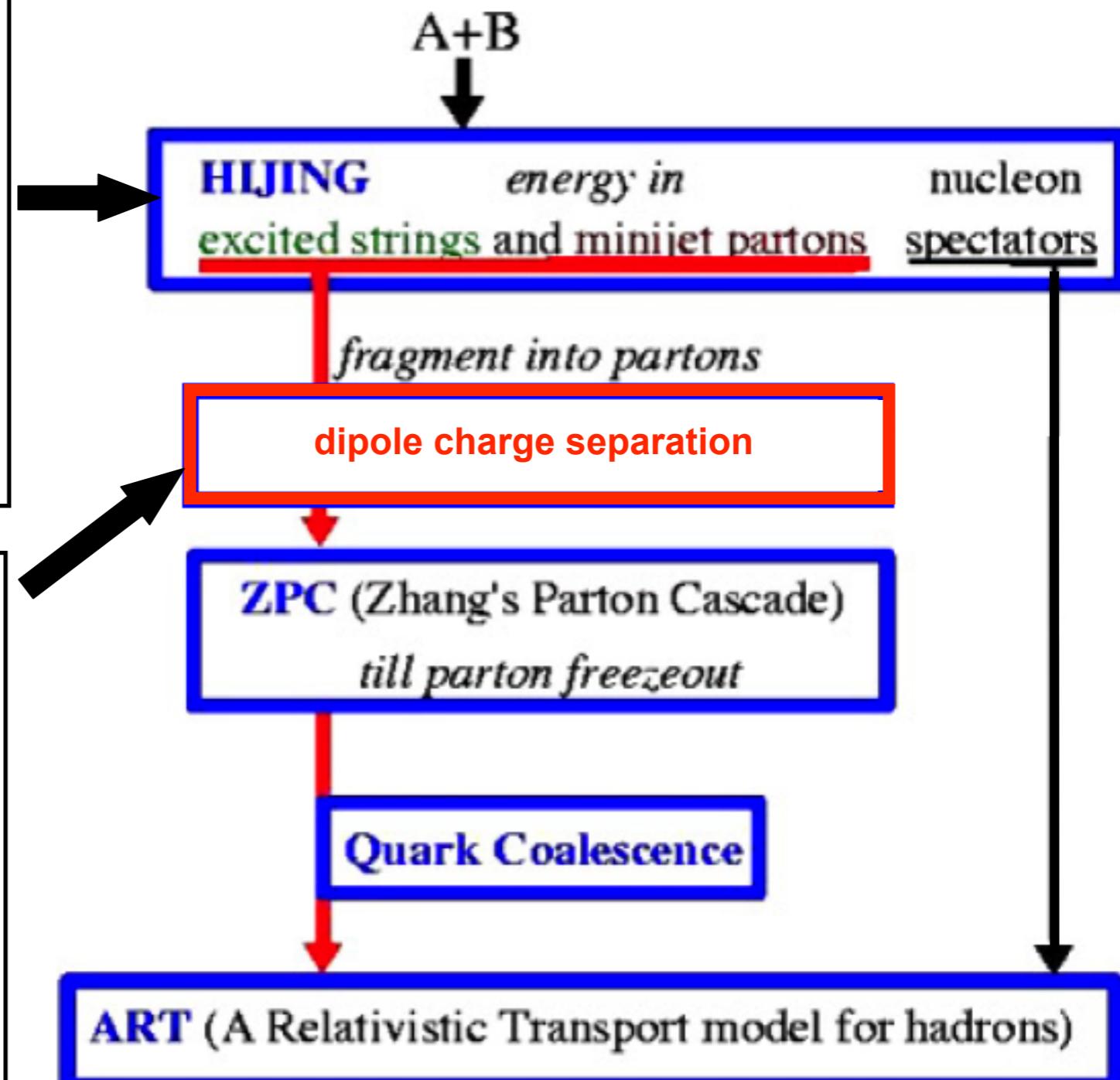
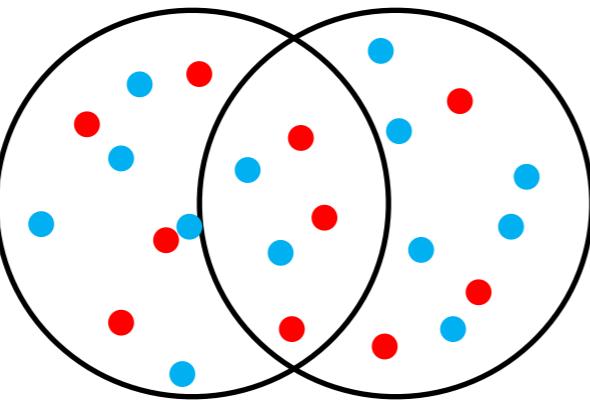
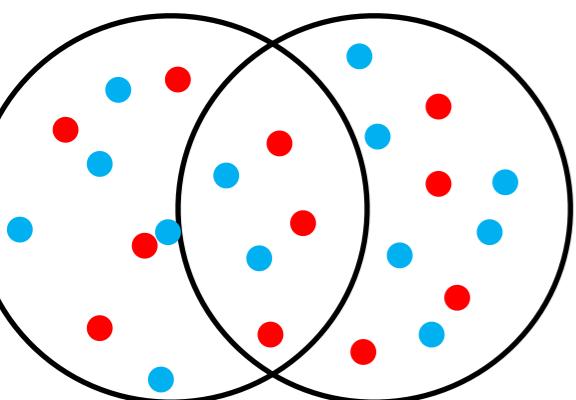


- R_{Ψ_2} can not response to CME strength of $f \leq 5\%$
- With increase of CME strength ($f \geq 5\%$), the width of R_{Ψ_2} decreases.

★ $\Delta\gamma$ and R_{Ψ_2} non-linearly responses to the CME strength due to FSI.

Simulating CME in isobar collisions using AMPT

Initialization of isobar



$$f = (N^+_{\text{upward}} - N^+_{\text{downward}}) / (N^+_{\text{upward}} + N^+_{\text{downward}})$$

Geometry initialization of isobar nuclei

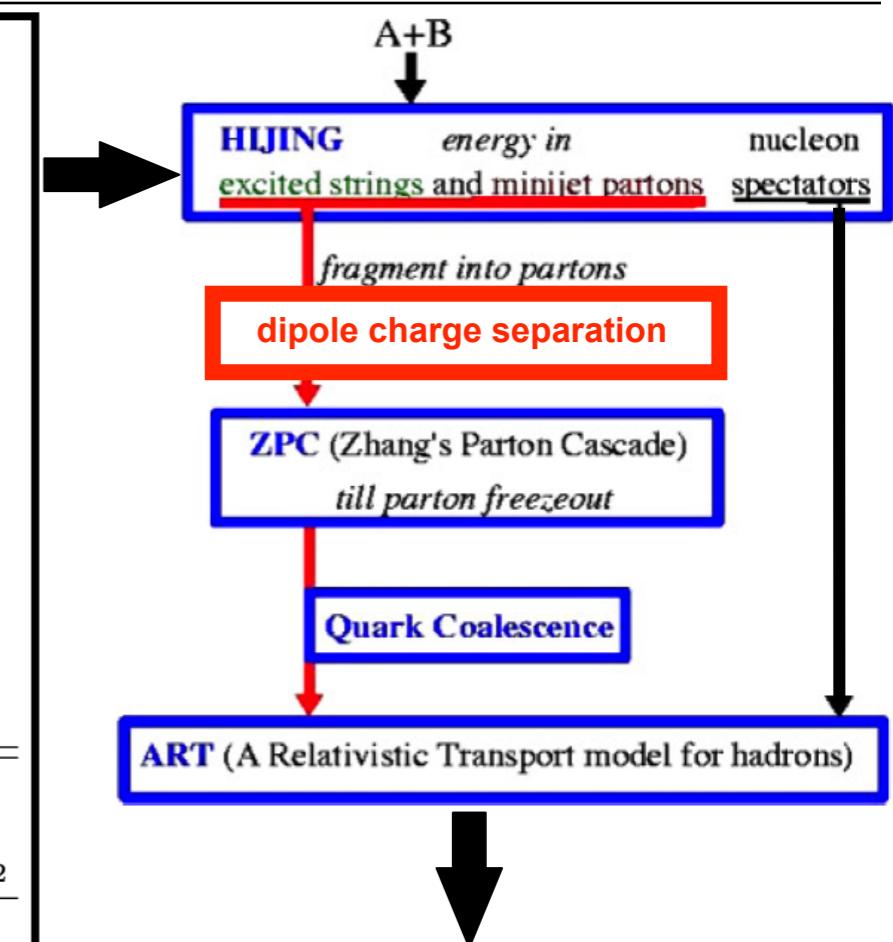
Woods-Saxon form of spatial distribution of nucleons:

$$\rho(r, \theta, \phi) \propto \frac{1}{1 + e^{[r - R_0(1 + \beta_2 Y_2^0(\theta, \phi) + \beta_3 Y_3^0(\theta, \phi))] / a}}$$

old Case1			old Case2			Case1			Case2			Case3			
R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	
$^{96}_{44}\text{Ru}$	5.13	0.46	0.13	5.13	0.46	0.03	5.085	0.46	0.158	5.085	0.46	0.053	5.067	0.500	0
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Case4				Case5				Case6				Case7				Case8		
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$^{96}_{44}\text{Ru}$	5.09	0.46	0.162	0	5.09	0.46	0.162	0	5.09	0.52	0.154	0	5.065	0.485	0.16	5.085	0.523	0
$^{96}_{40}\text{Zr}$	5.09	0.52	0.060	0.2	5.02	0.46	0.060	0.2	5.09	0.52	0.060	0.2	4.961	0.544	0.16	5.021	0.523	0

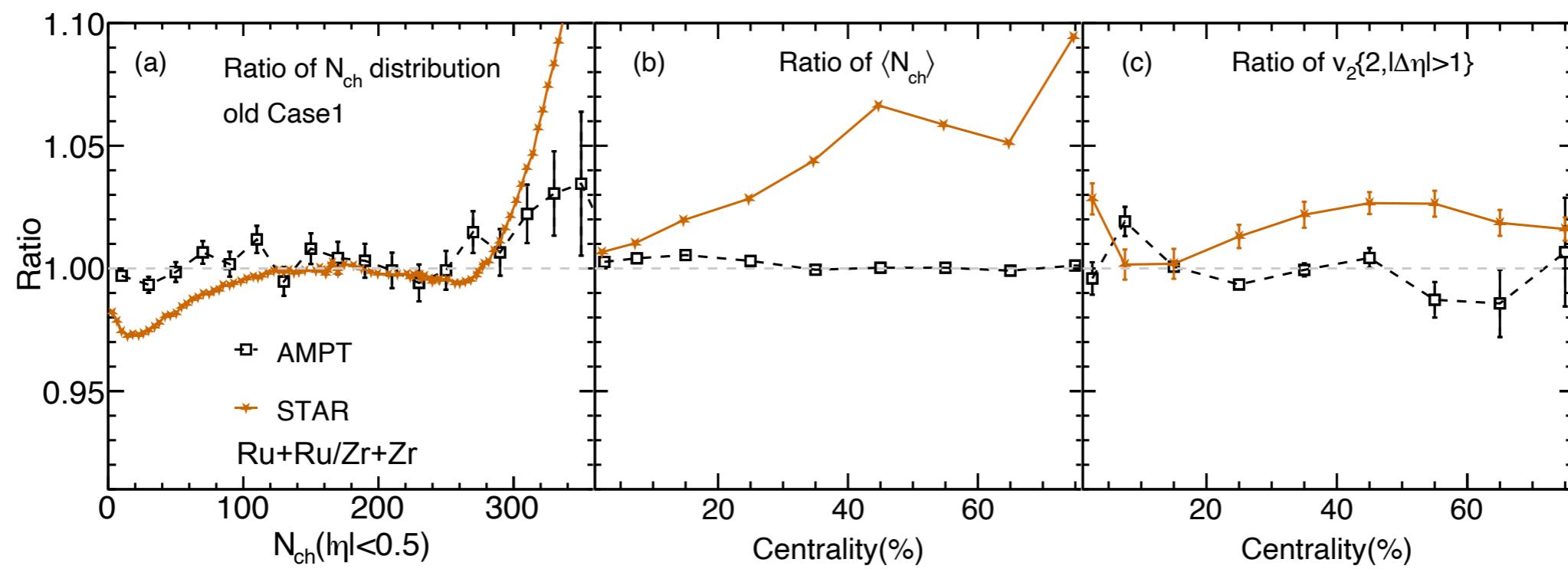
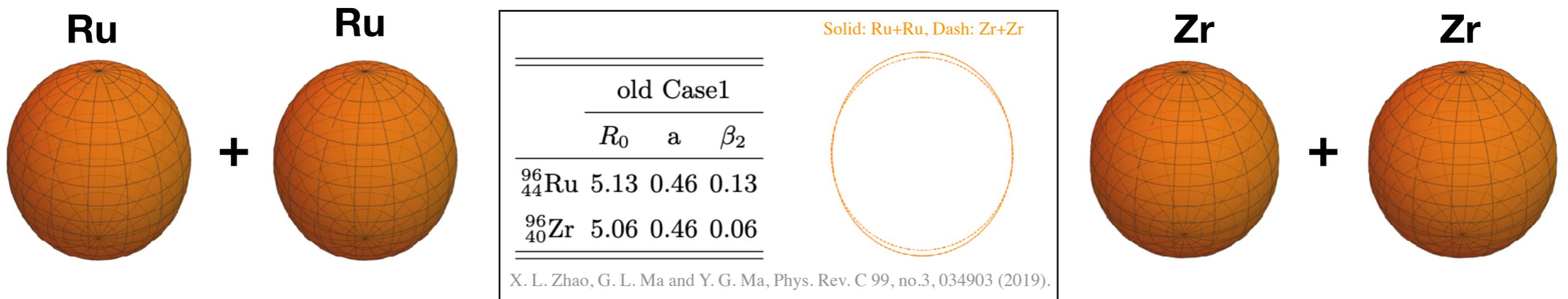
Case9			Case10			Case11			skin-type			halo-type			
R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	R_0	a	β_2	
$^{96}_{44}\text{Ru}$ n	5.075	0.505	0	5.073	0.490	0.16	5.085	0.46	0.158	5.085	0.523	0	5.085	0.523	0
$^{96}_{44}\text{Ru}$ p	5.060	0.493	0	5.053	0.480	0.16	5.085	0.46	0.158	5.085	0.523	0	5.085	0.523	0
$^{96}_{40}\text{Zr}$ n	5.015	0.574	0	5.007	0.564	0.16	5.080	0.46	0	5.194	0.523	0	5.021	0.592	0
$^{96}_{40}\text{Zr}$ p	4.915	0.521	0	4.912	0.508	0.16	5.080	0.34	0	5.021	0.523	0	5.021	0.523	0



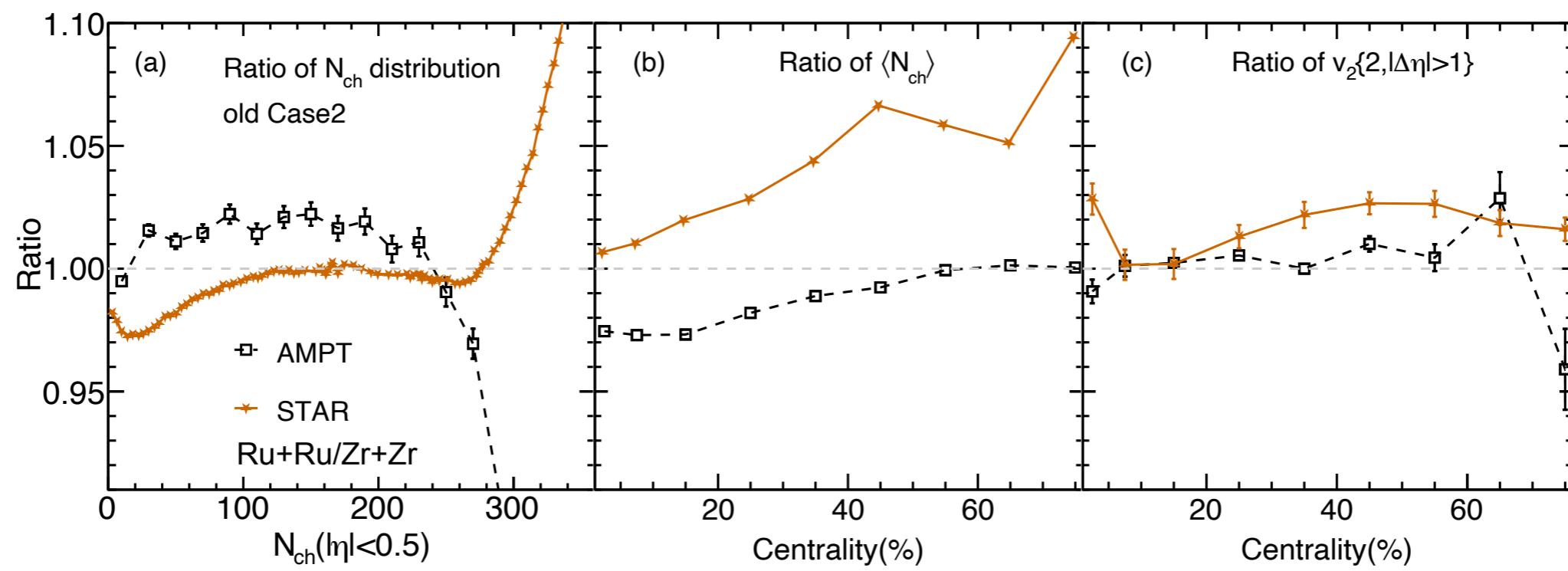
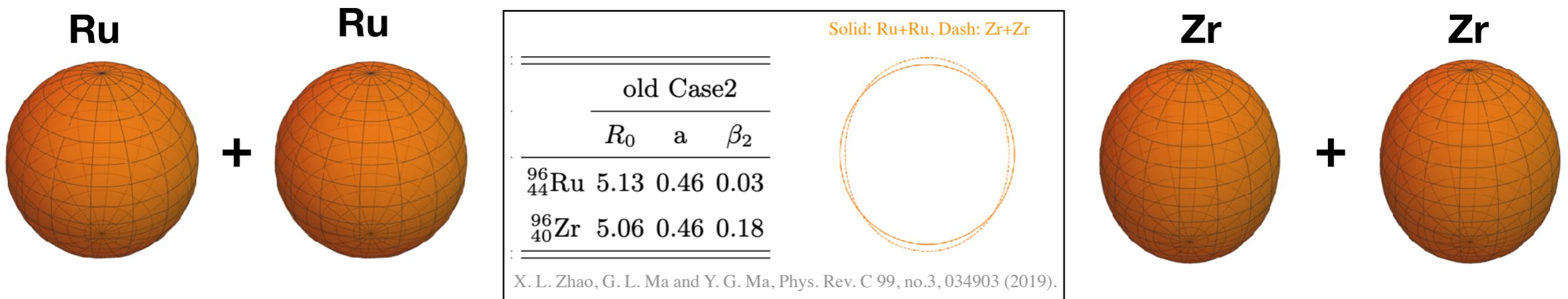
- Which one is good among 15 cases?
- Our criterion is the ratios in final state:
 - I) Mult. dist. ratio
 - II) $\langle N_{\text{ch}} \rangle$ ratio vs centrality
 - III) v_2 ratio vs centrality

* 1 M events for each case are used to test if it can pass the criterion test.

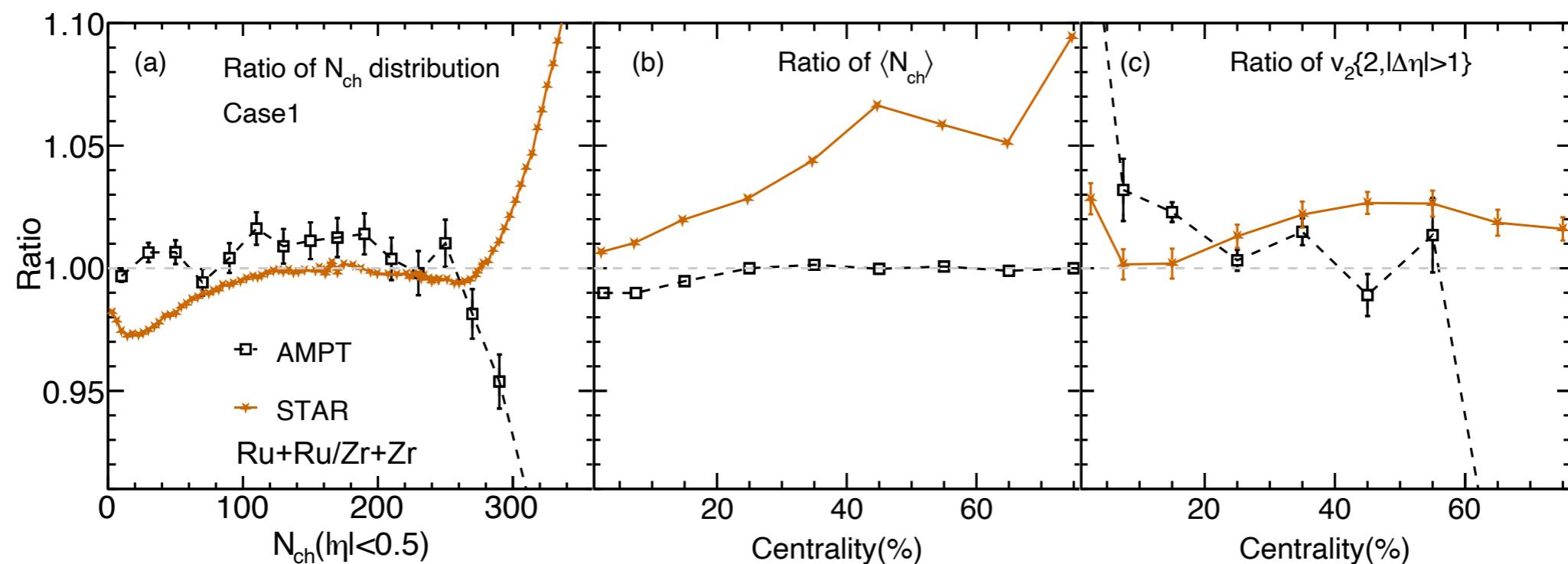
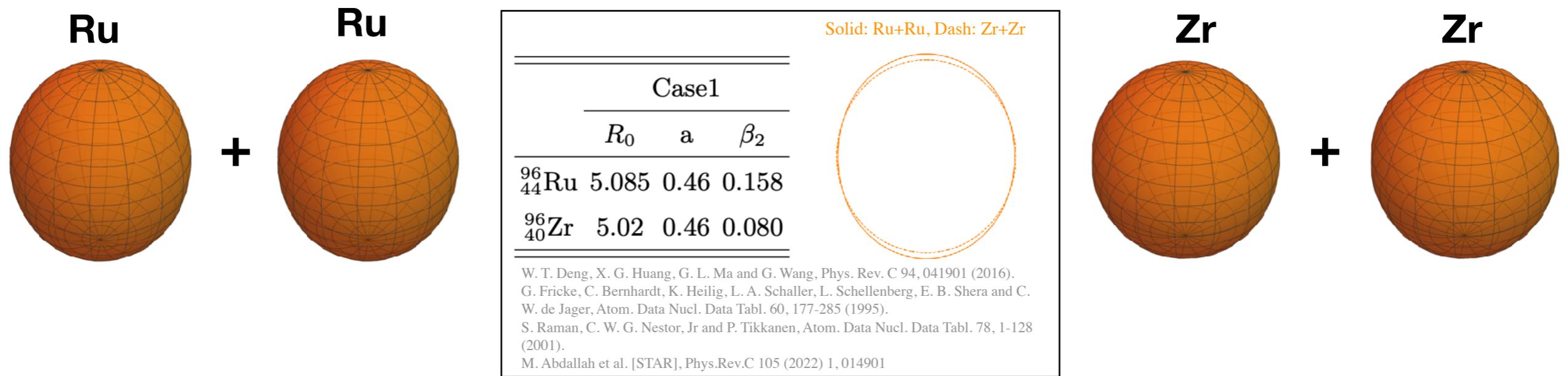
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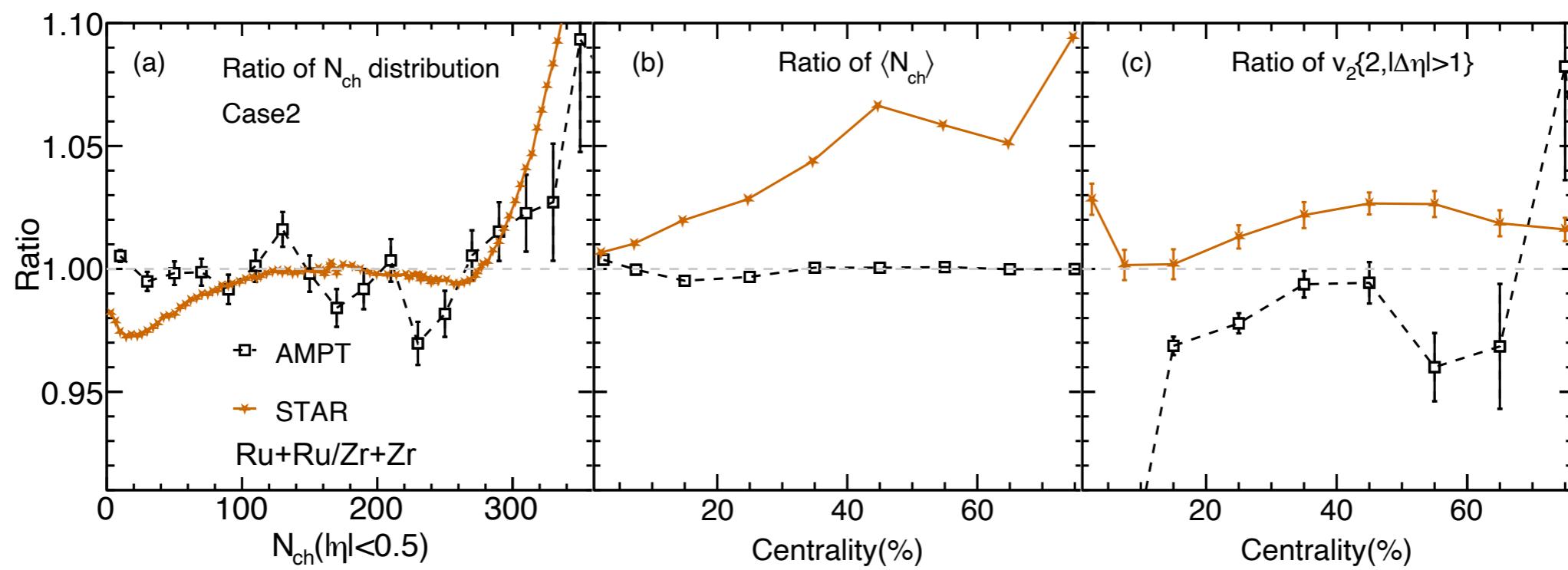
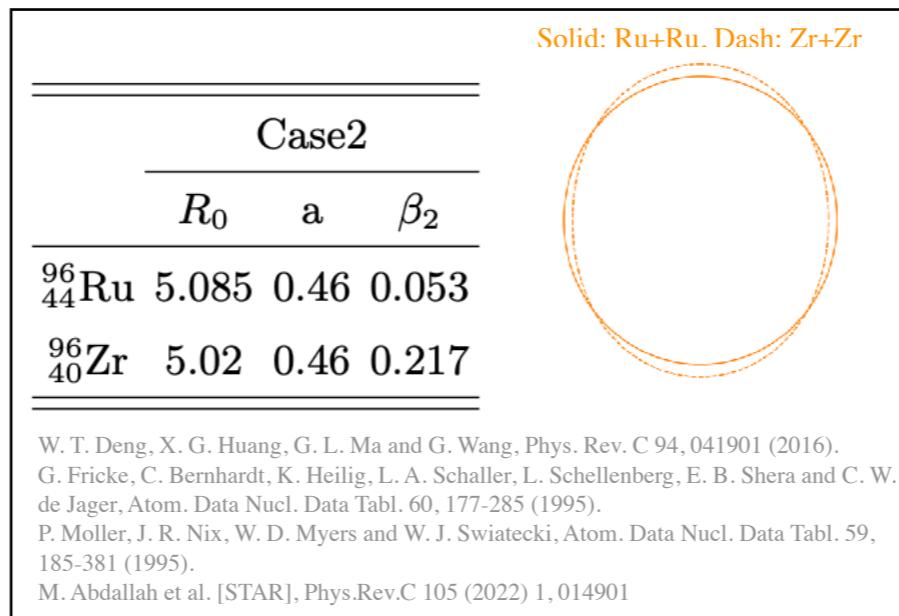
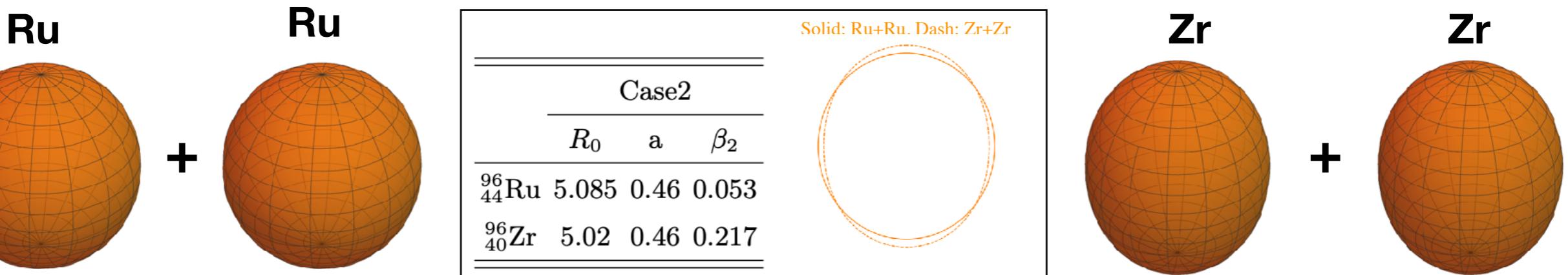
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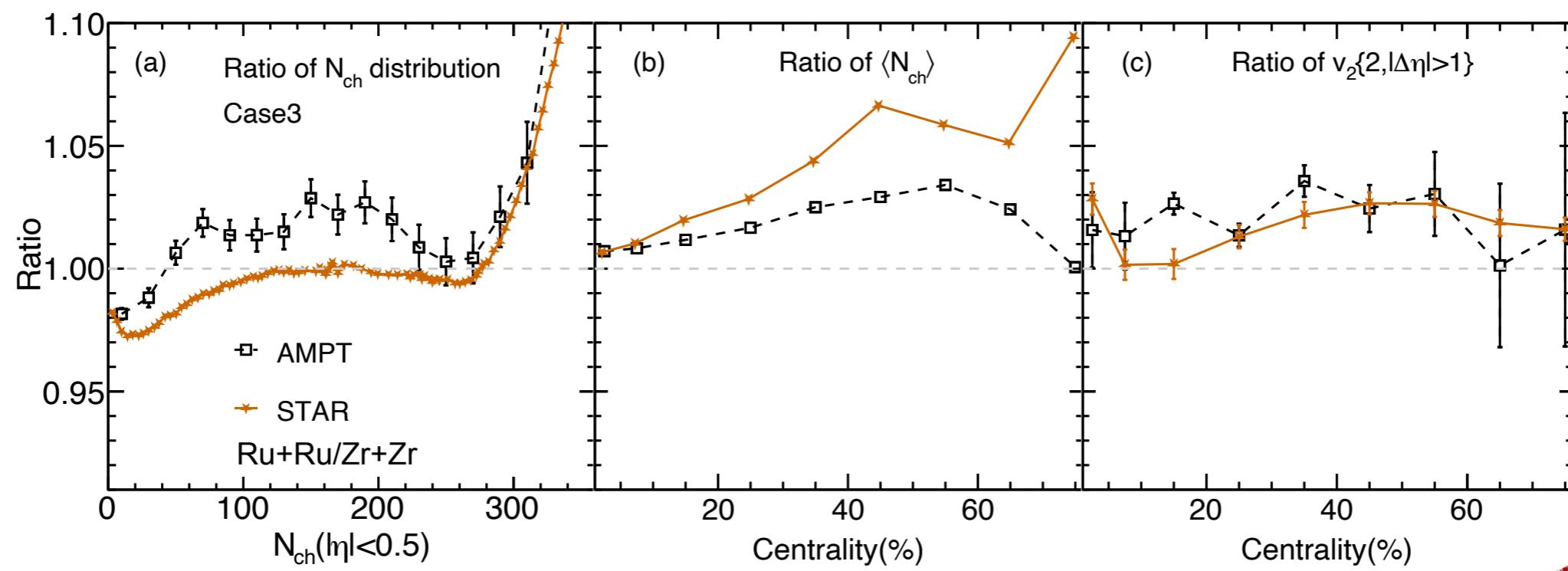
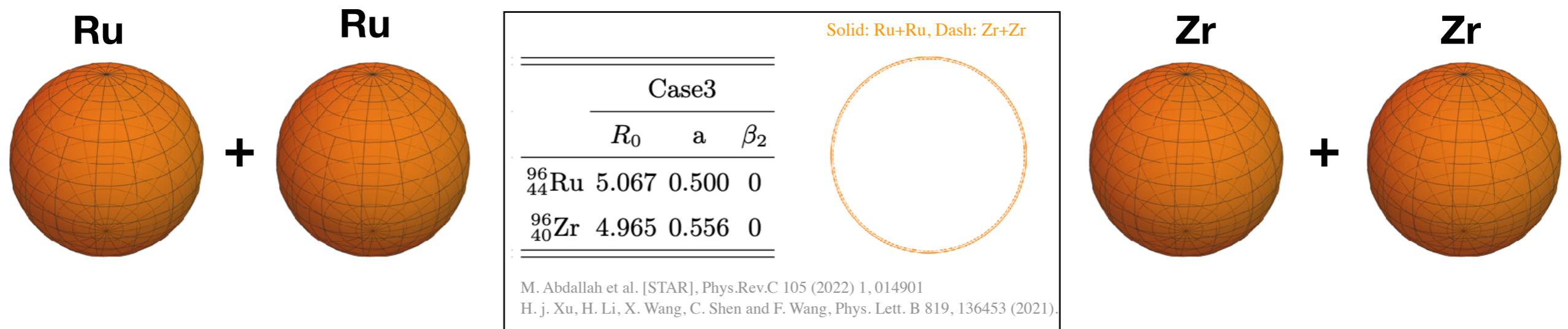
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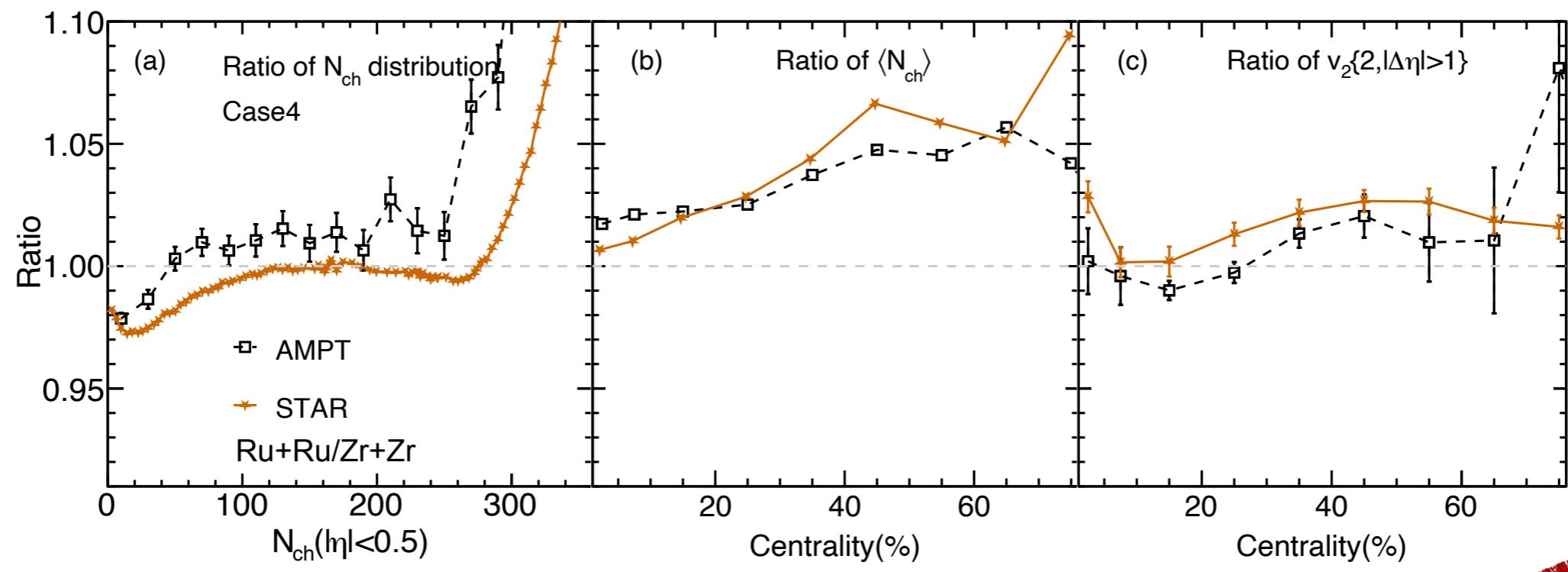
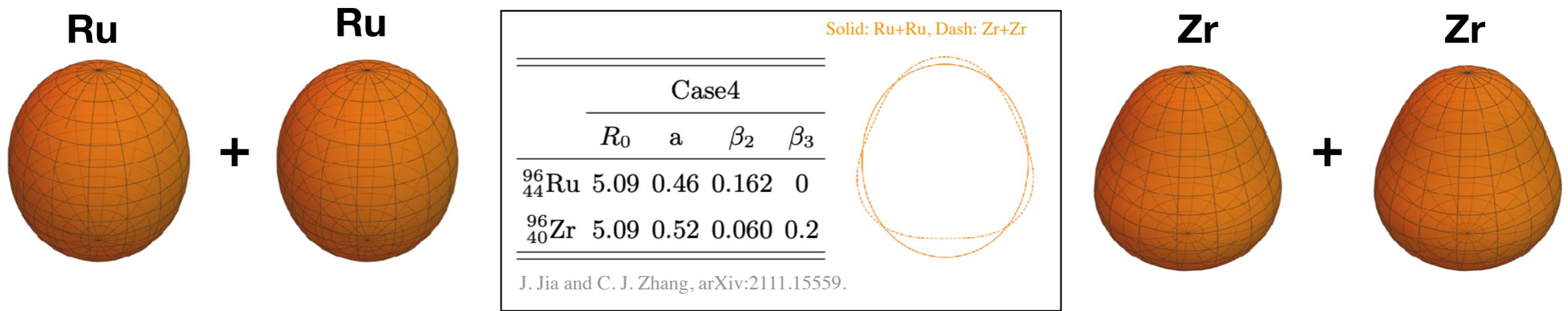
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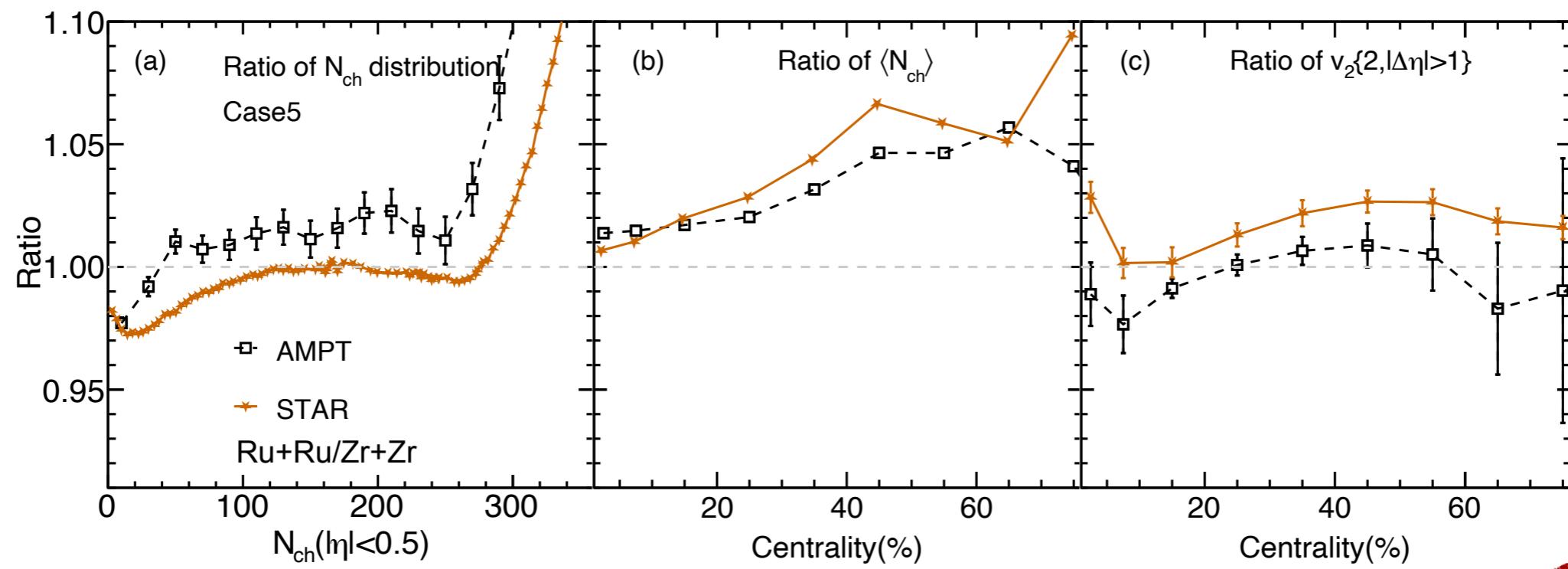
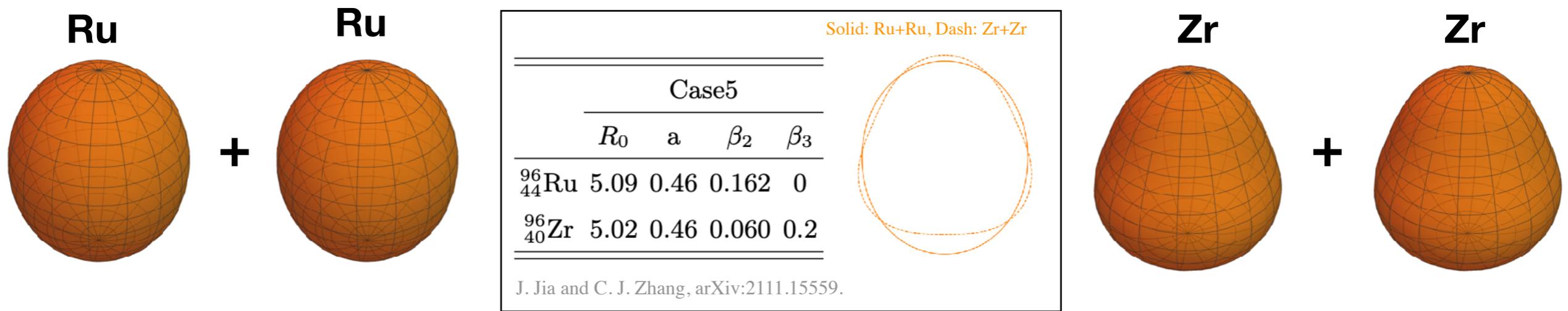
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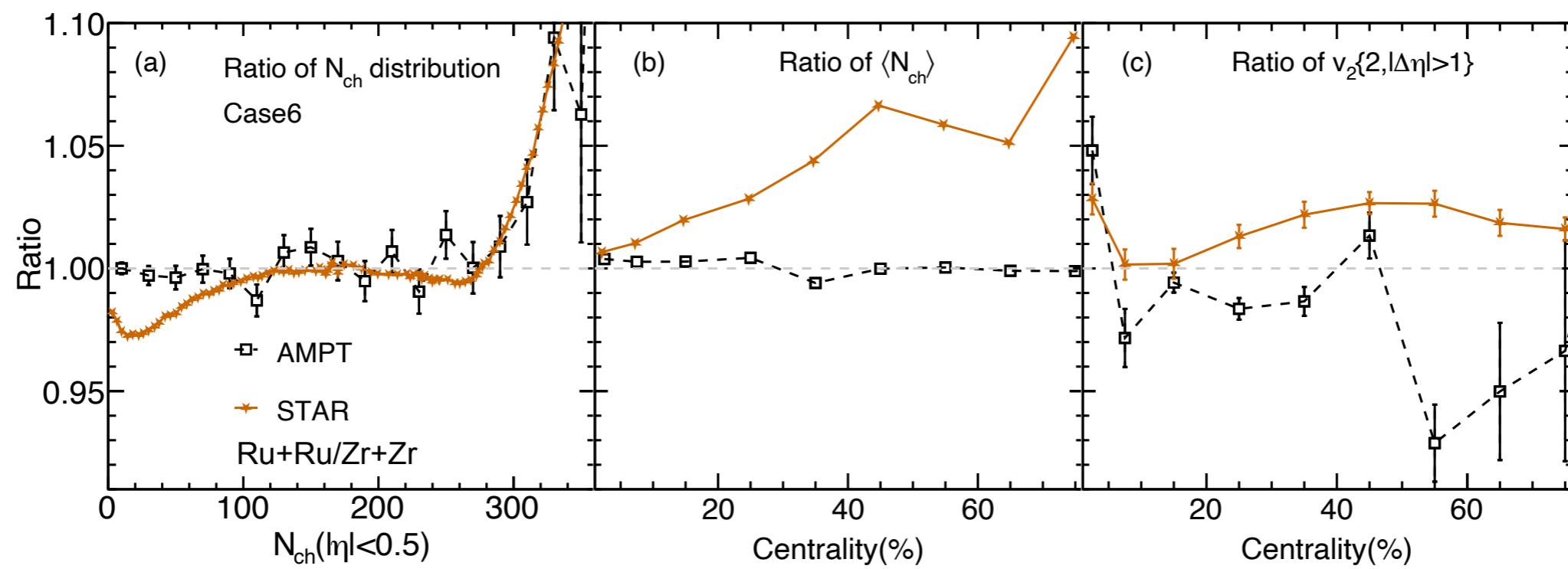
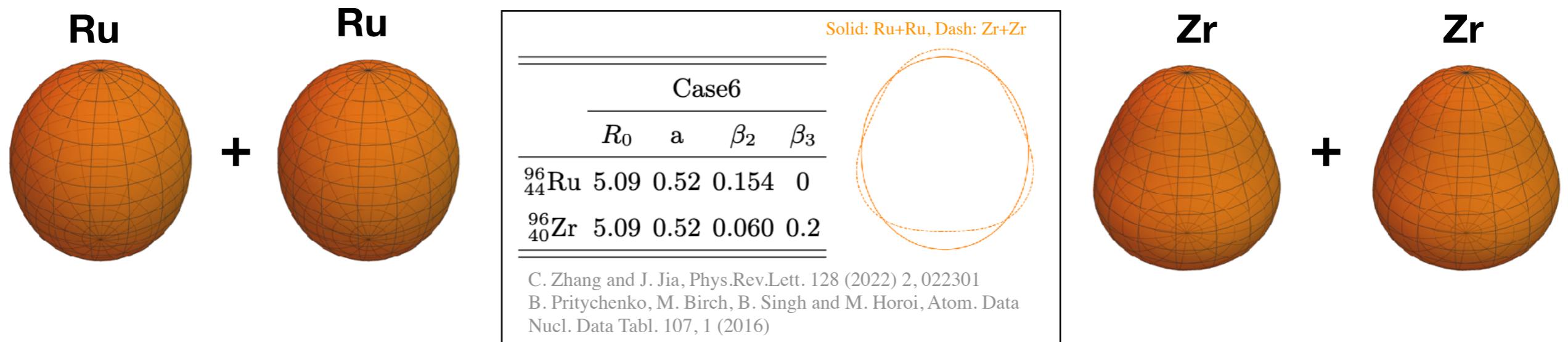
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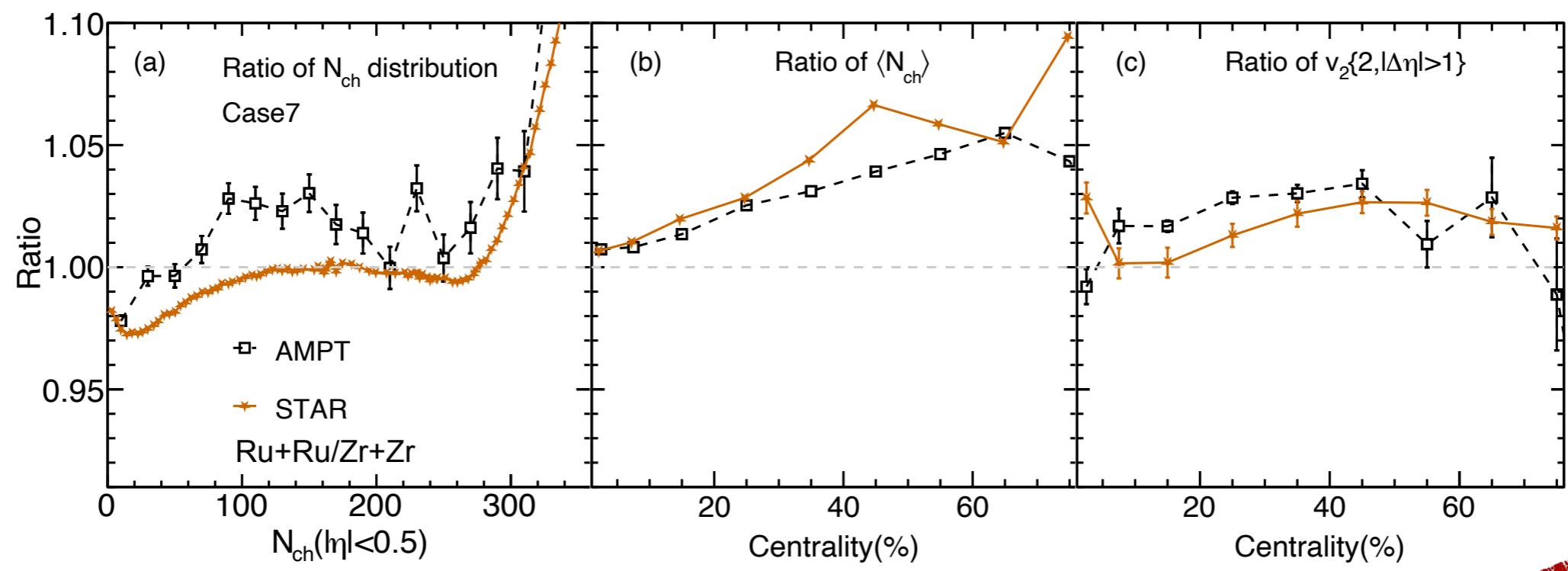
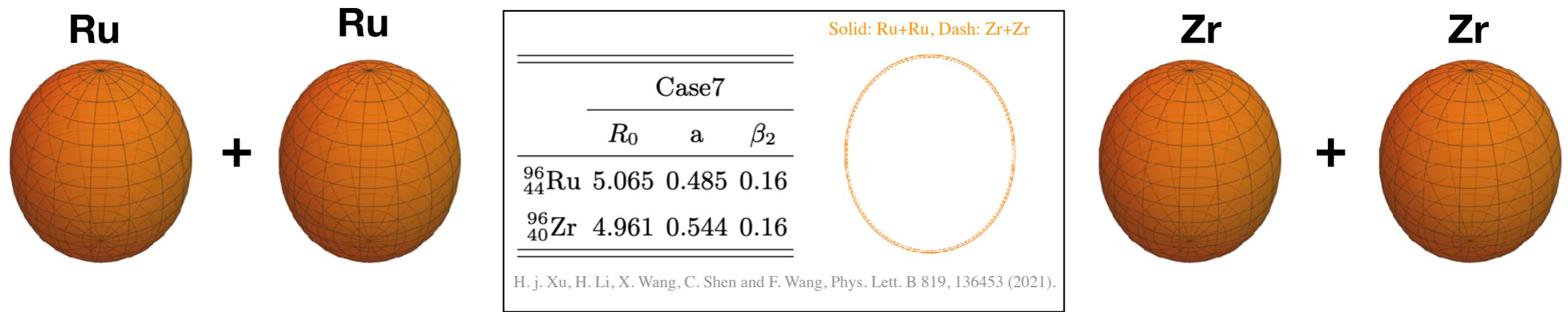
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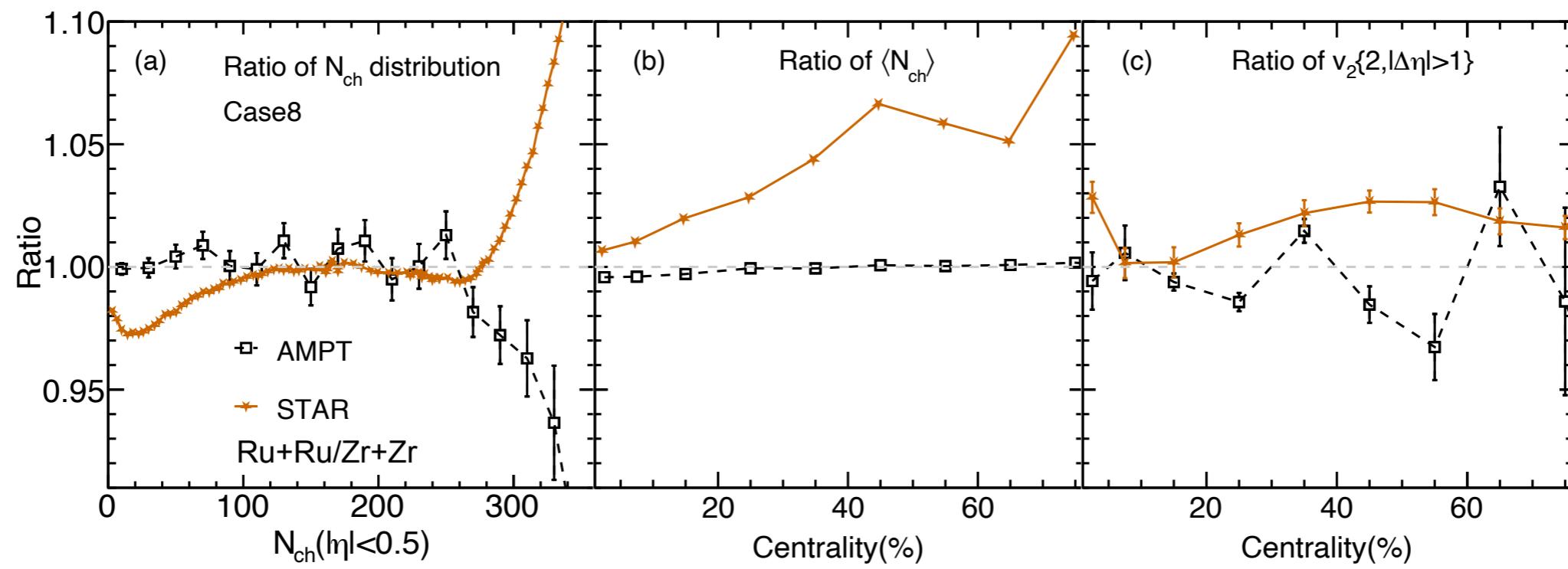
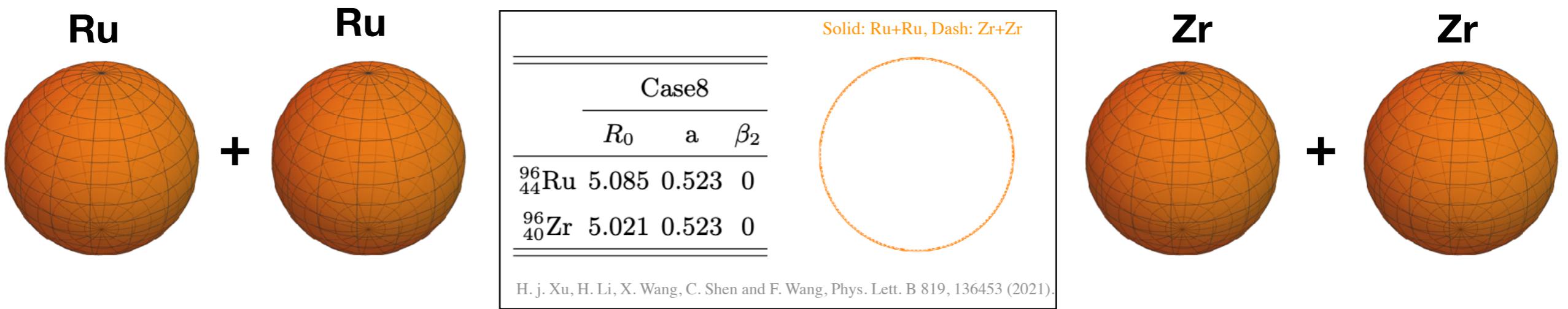
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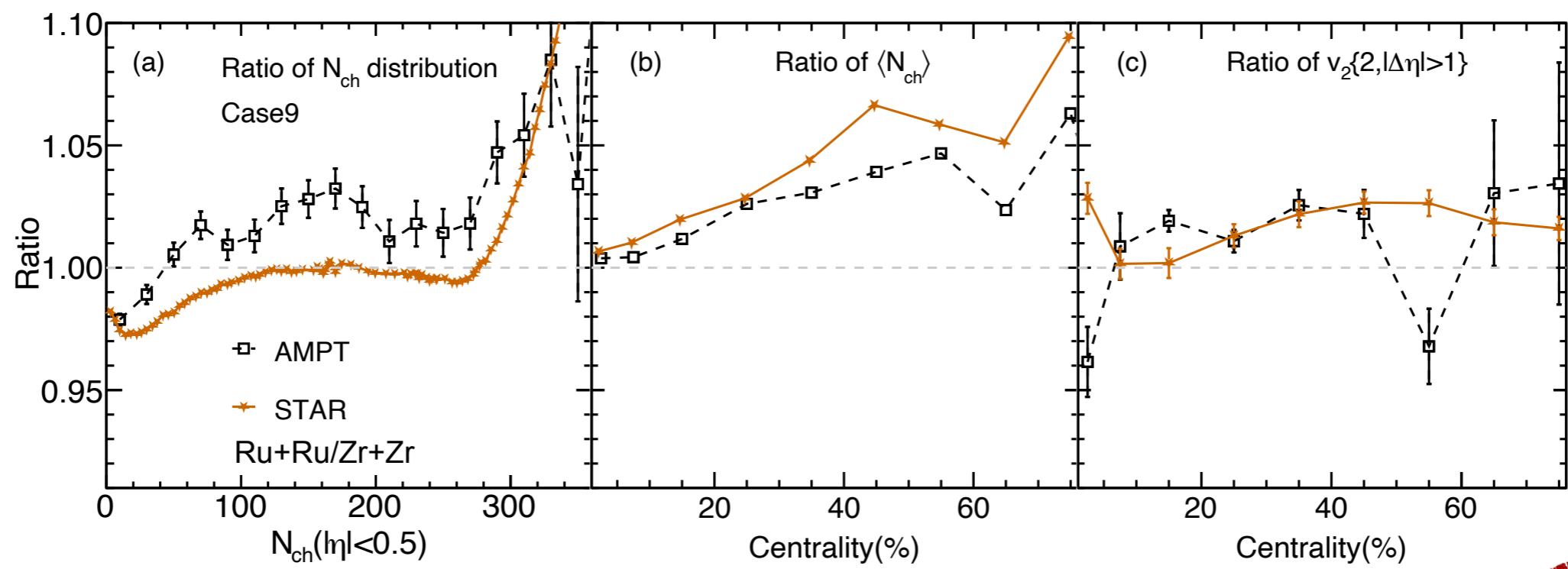
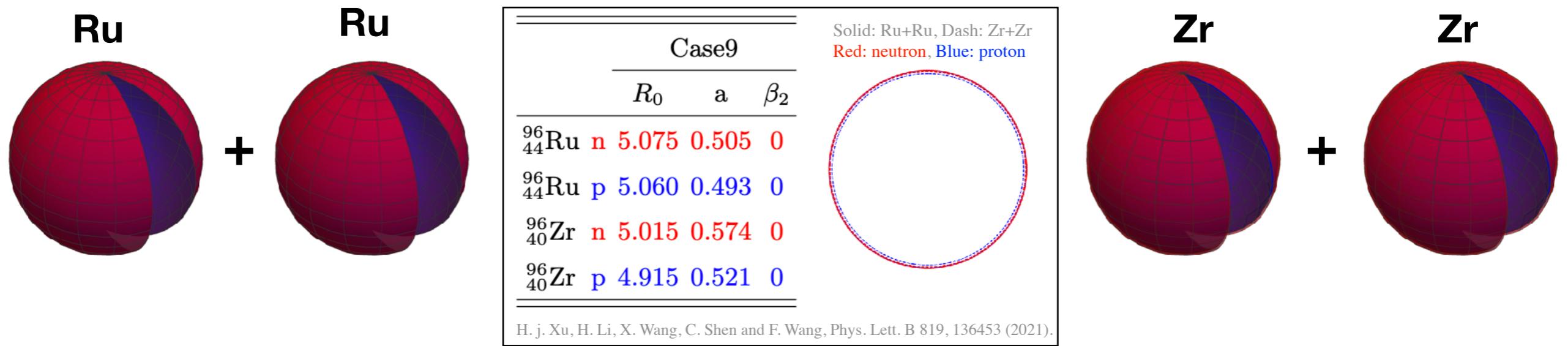
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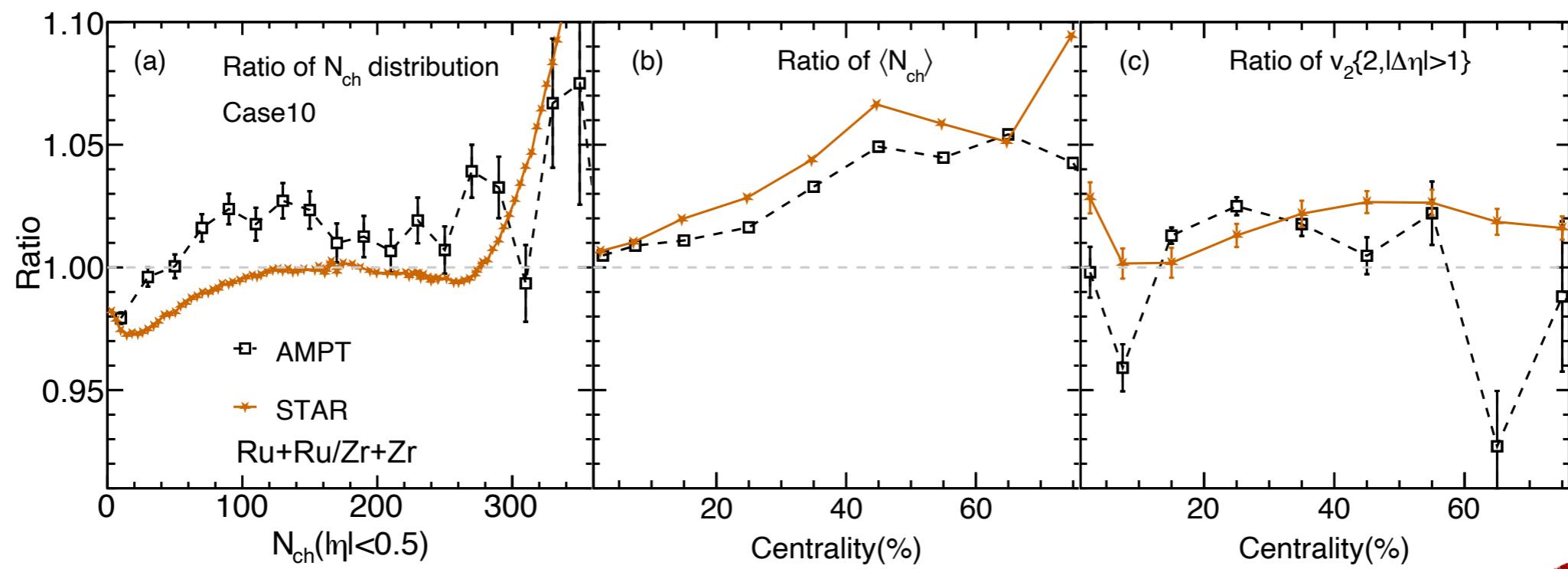
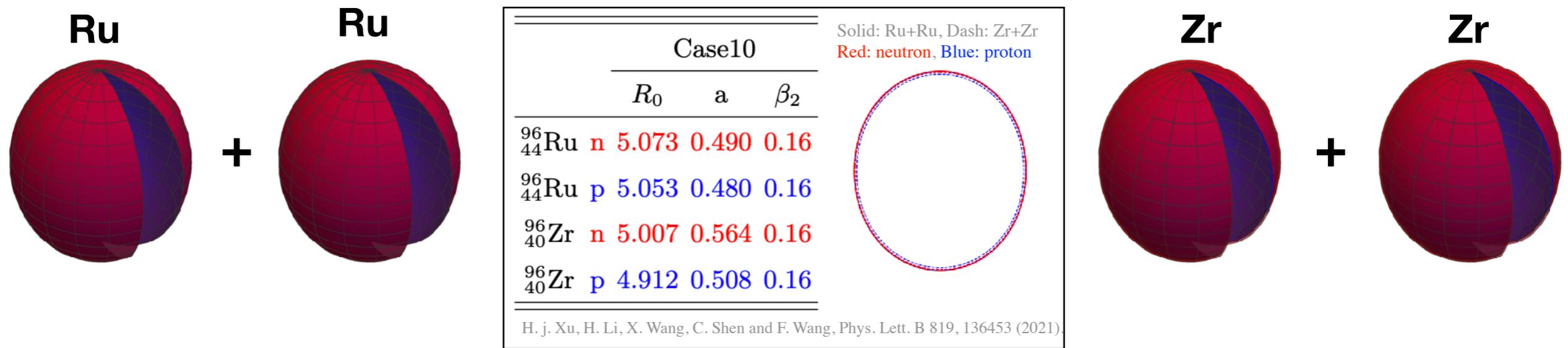
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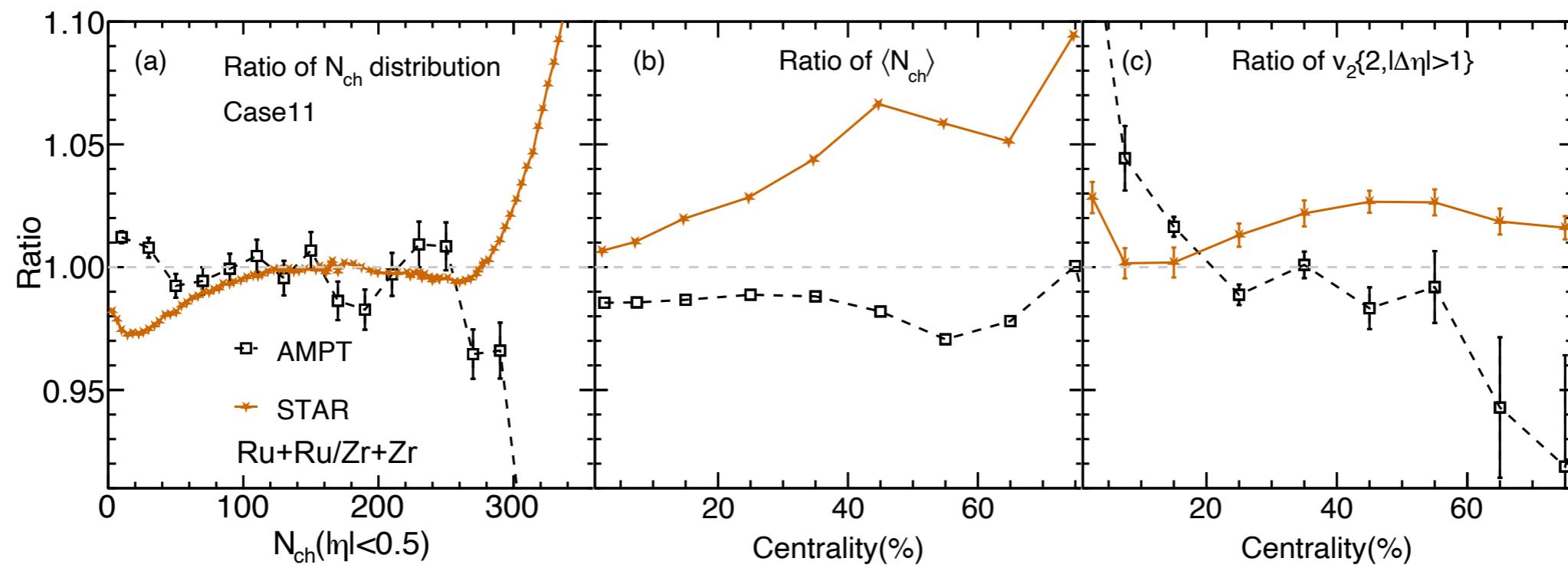
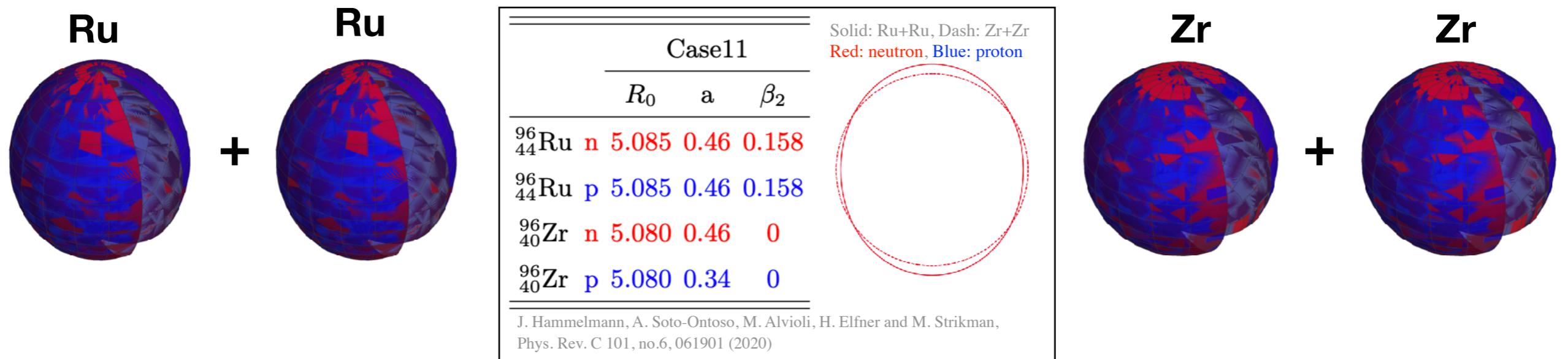
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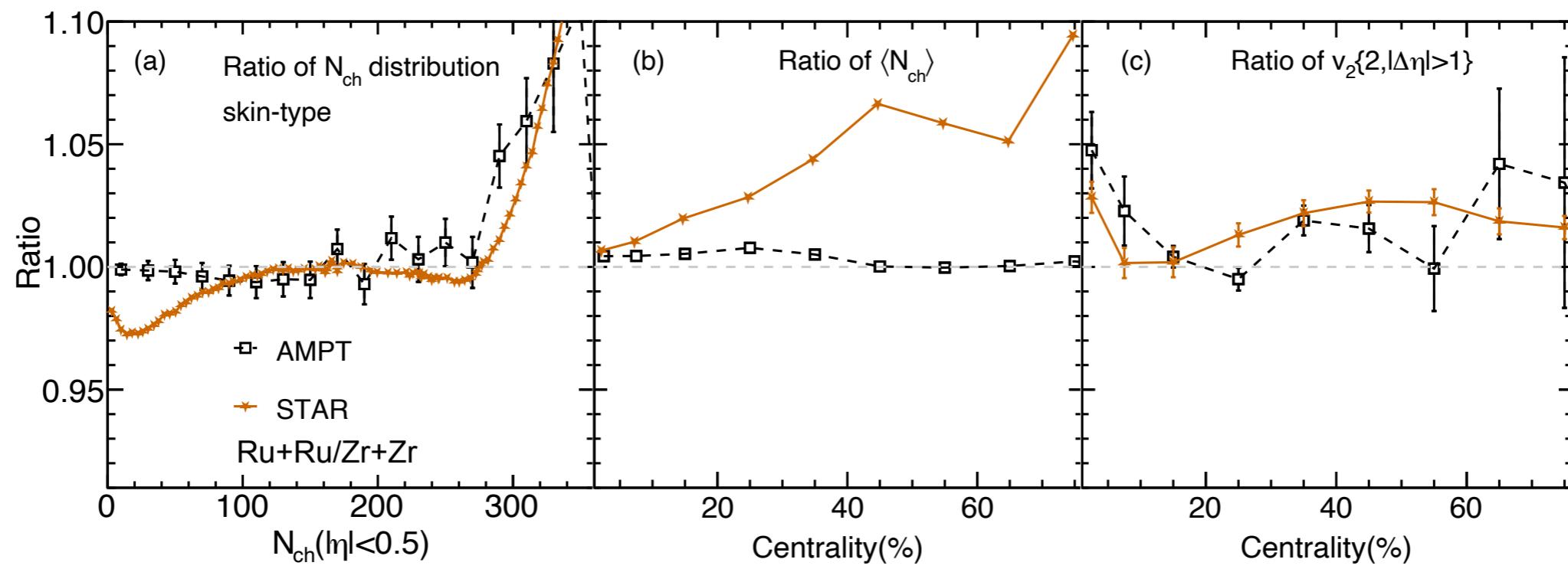
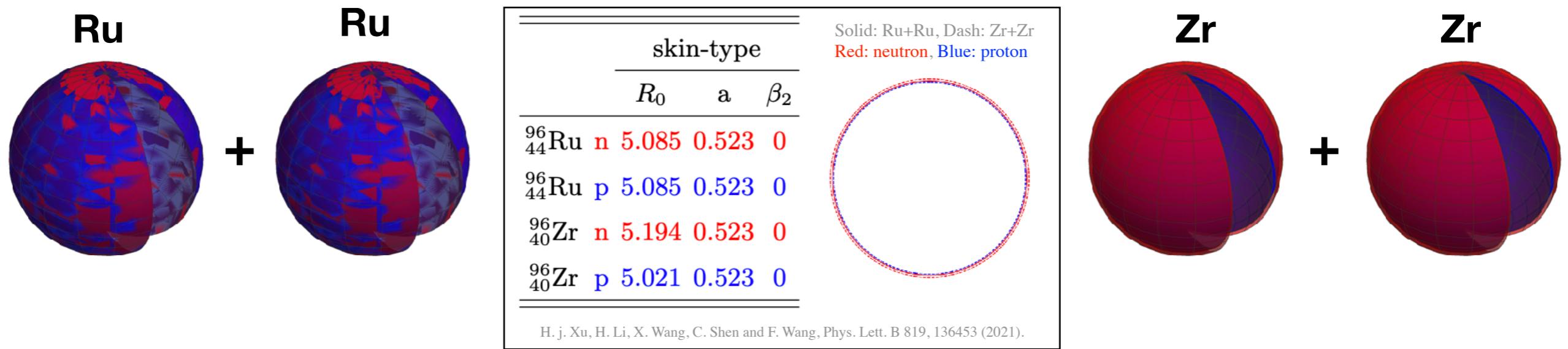
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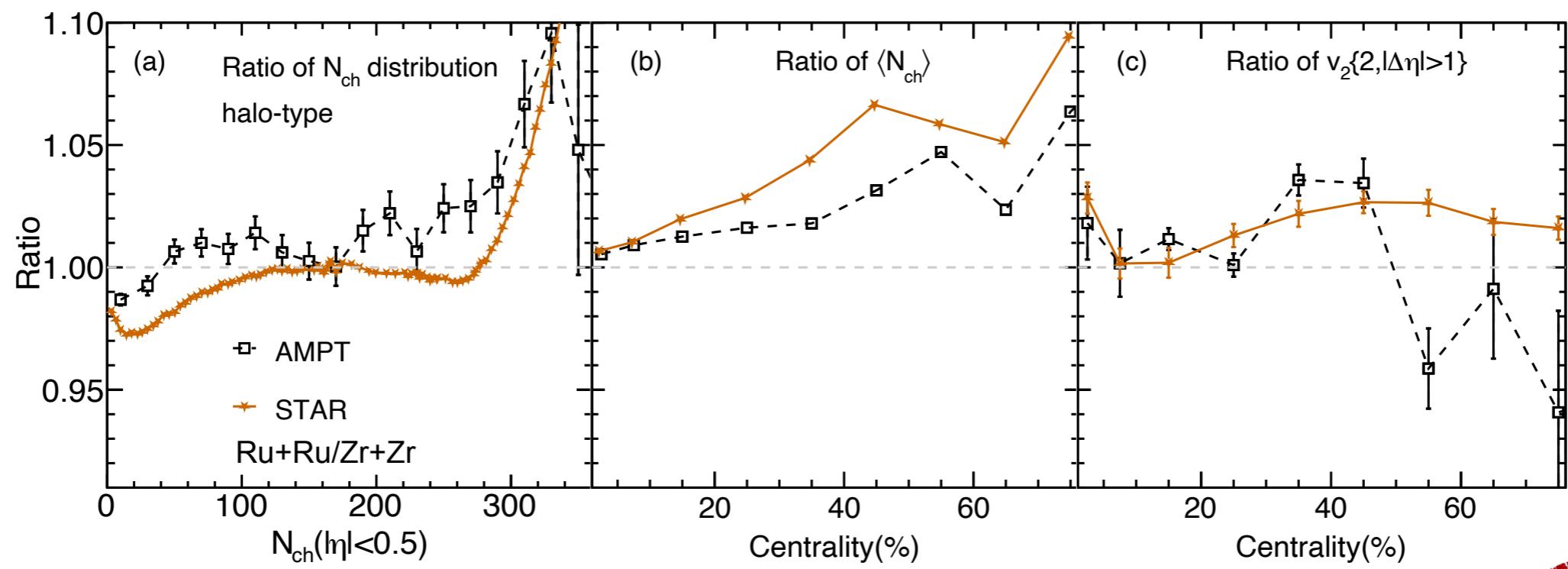
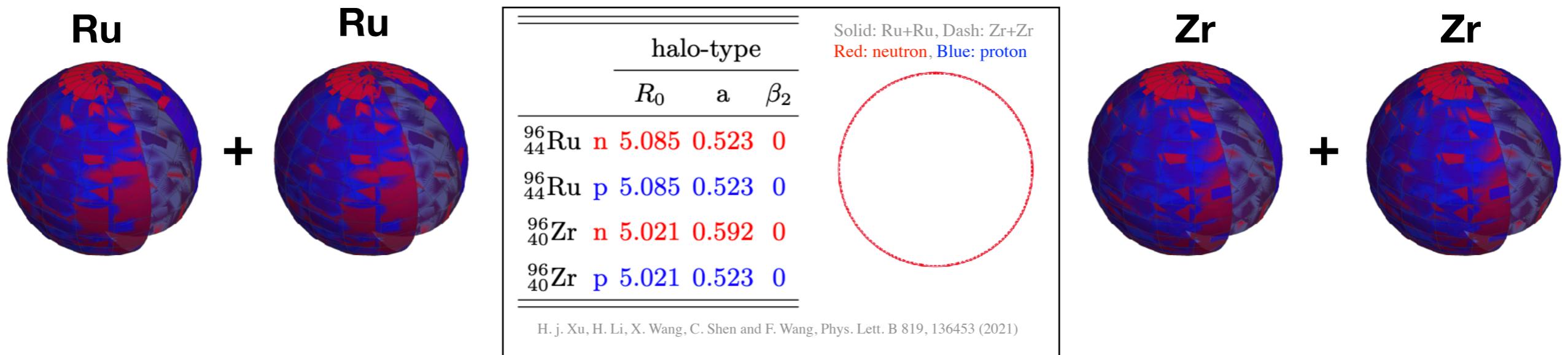
Case11



Skin-type



Halo-type



Good geometry configurations of isobar nuclei

Woods-Saxon form of spatial distribution of nucleons:

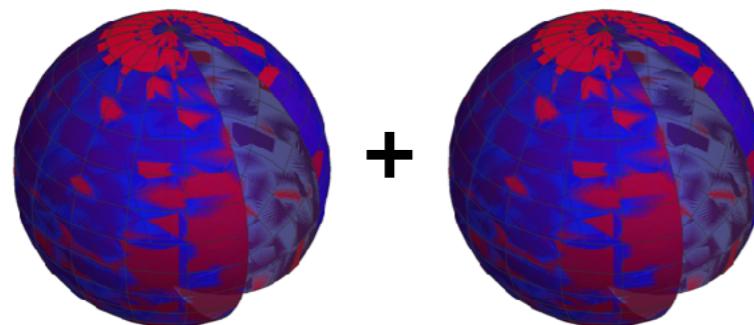
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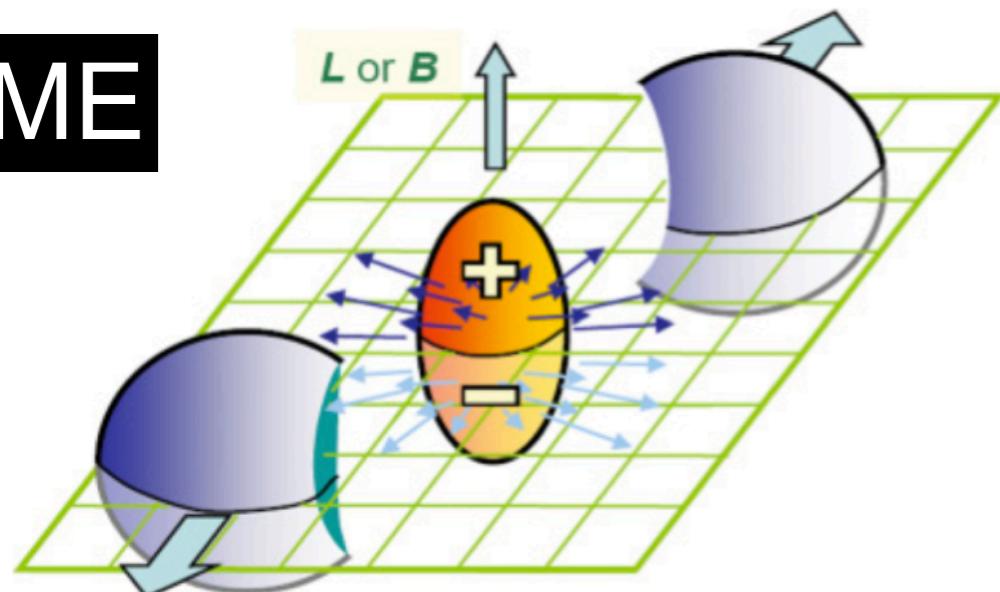
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Simulating CME in isobar collisions using AMPT

Initialization of halo-type isobar

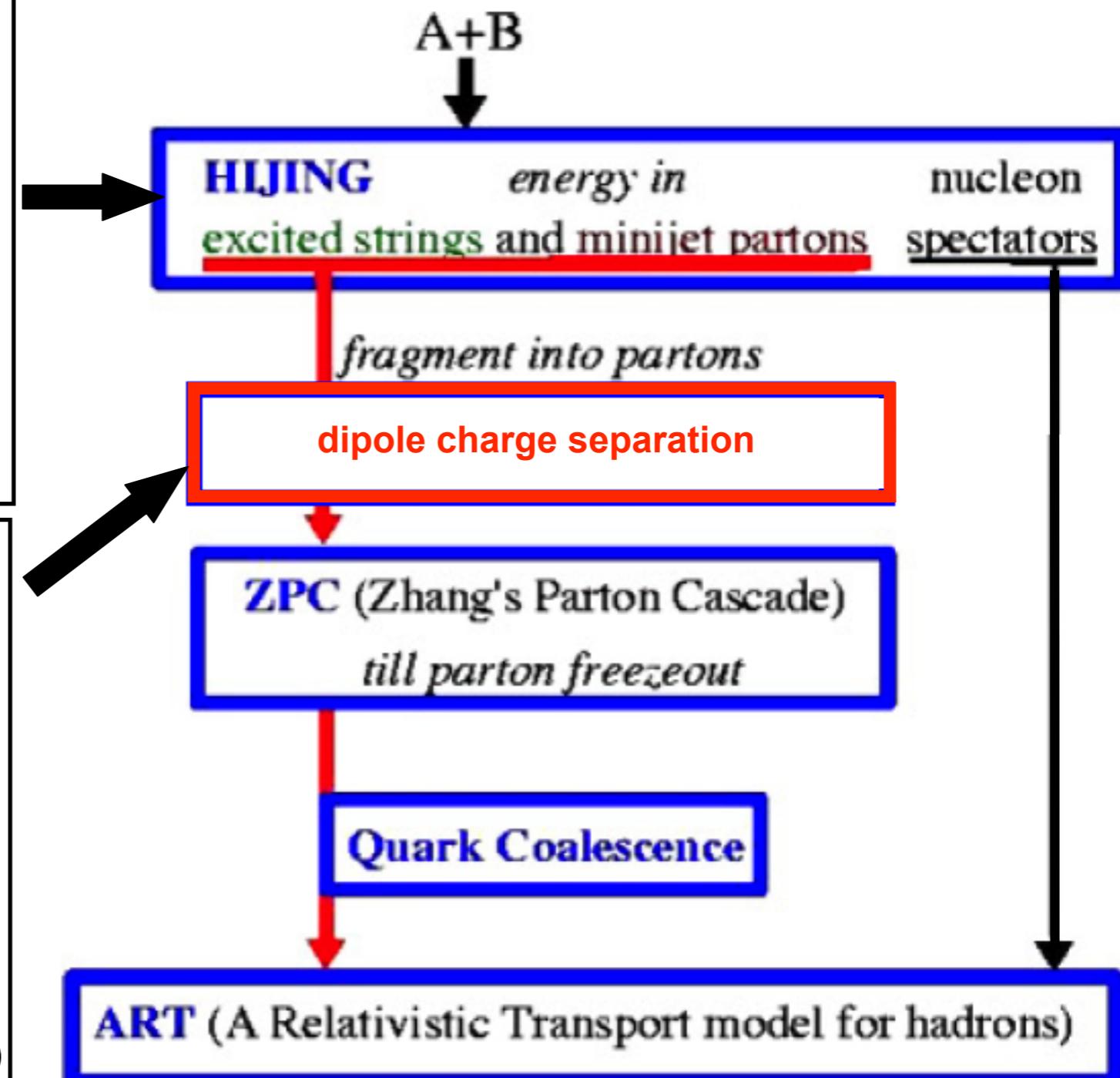


CME

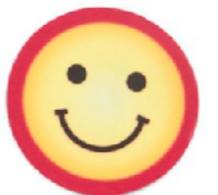
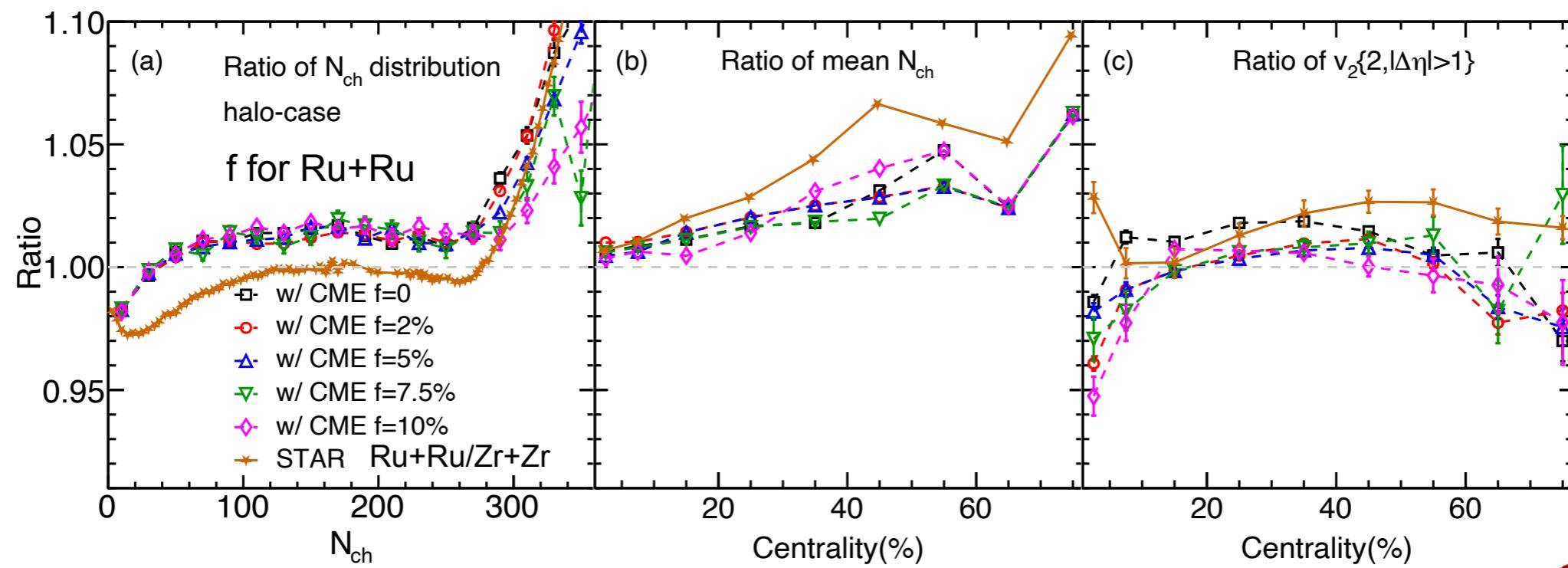
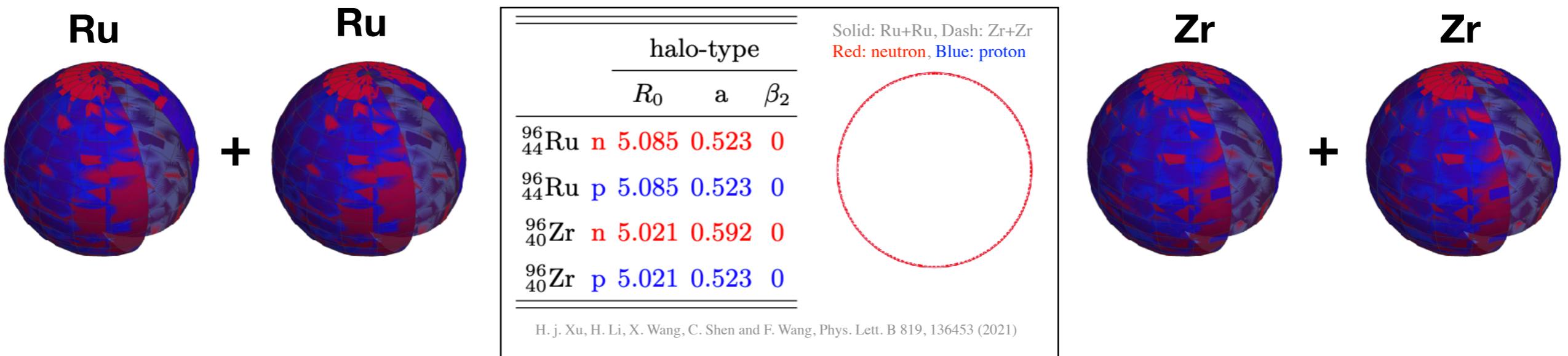


$$f = (N_{\text{upward}}^+ - N_{\text{downward}}^+) / (N_{\text{upward}}^+ + N_{\text{downward}}^+)$$

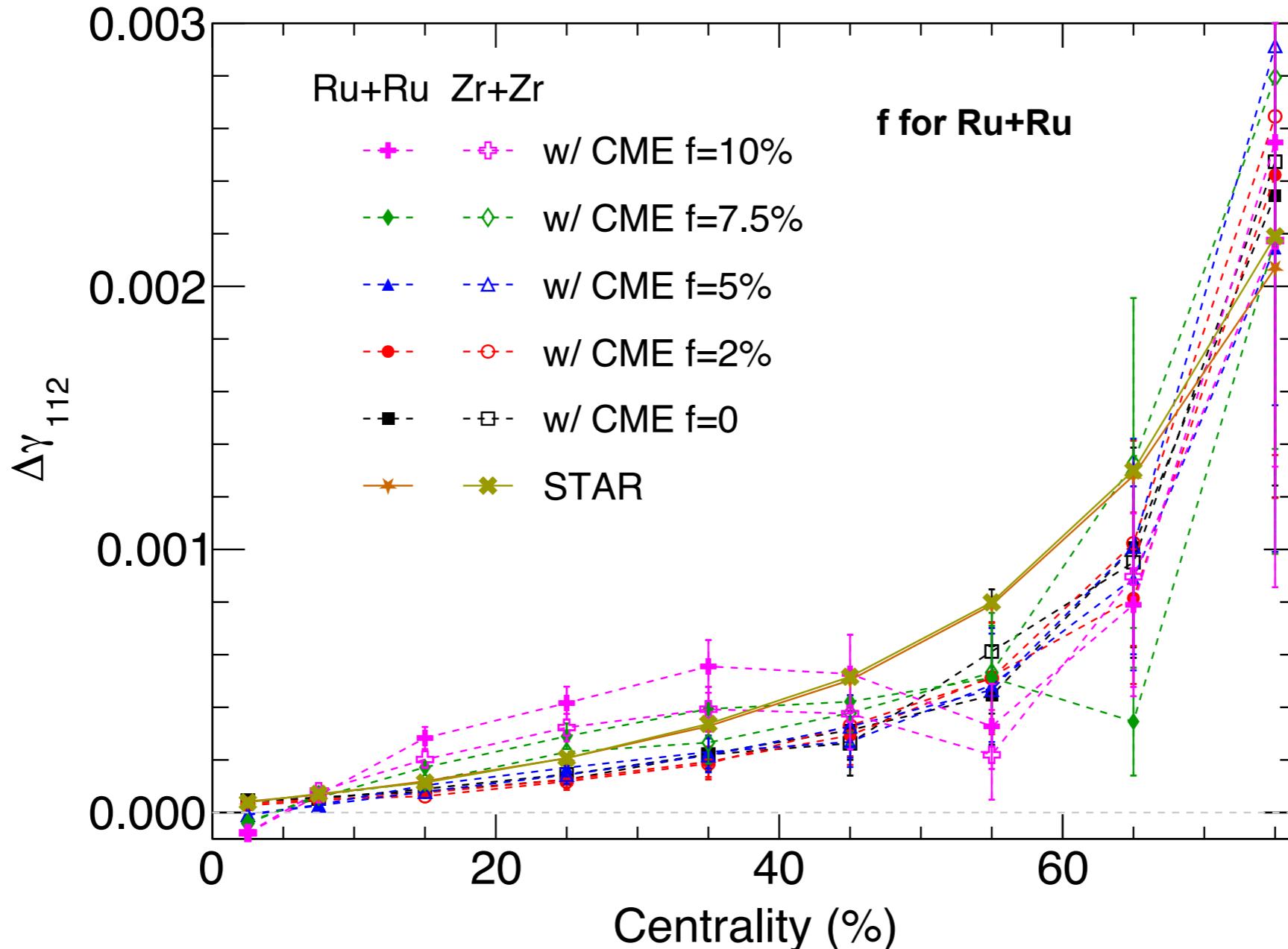
- $f(\text{Ru}+\text{Ru})/f(\text{Zr}+\text{Zr}) \sim (44/40)^2$
- CME current $\parallel \mathbf{B}$ field



Can CME affect the ratios?



The CME observable $\Delta\gamma$ in isobar collisions

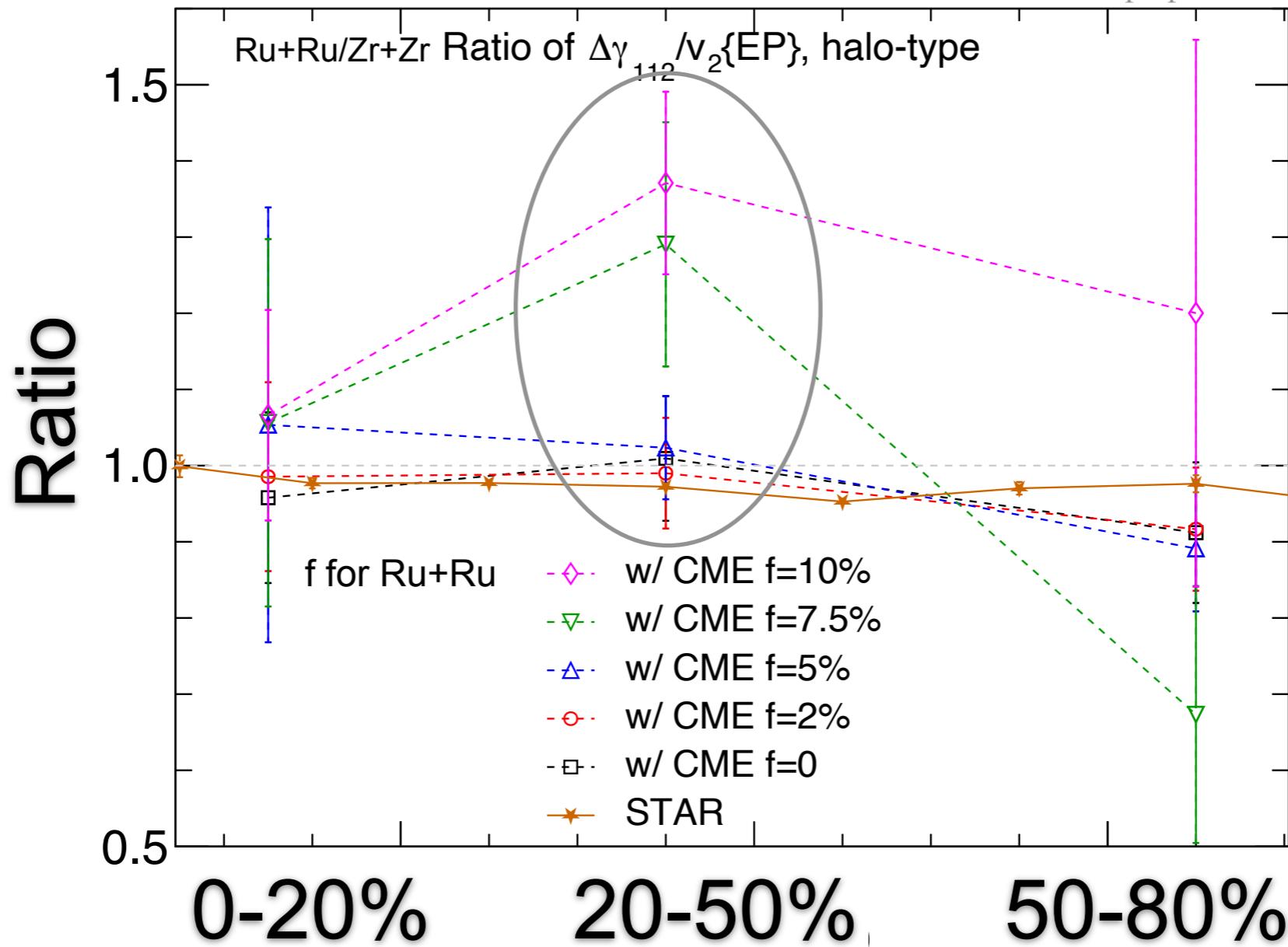


- $\Delta\gamma$ (f=0%) \approx $\Delta\gamma$ (f=2%) \approx $\Delta\gamma$ (f=5%) $<$ $\Delta\gamma$ (f=7.5%) $<$ $\Delta\gamma$ (f=10%)

* 28 M events for f=0%; 38 M events for f=2%; 38 M events for f=5%; 6 M events for f=7.5%; 6 M events for f=10%

The CME observable $\Delta\gamma/v_2$ ratio

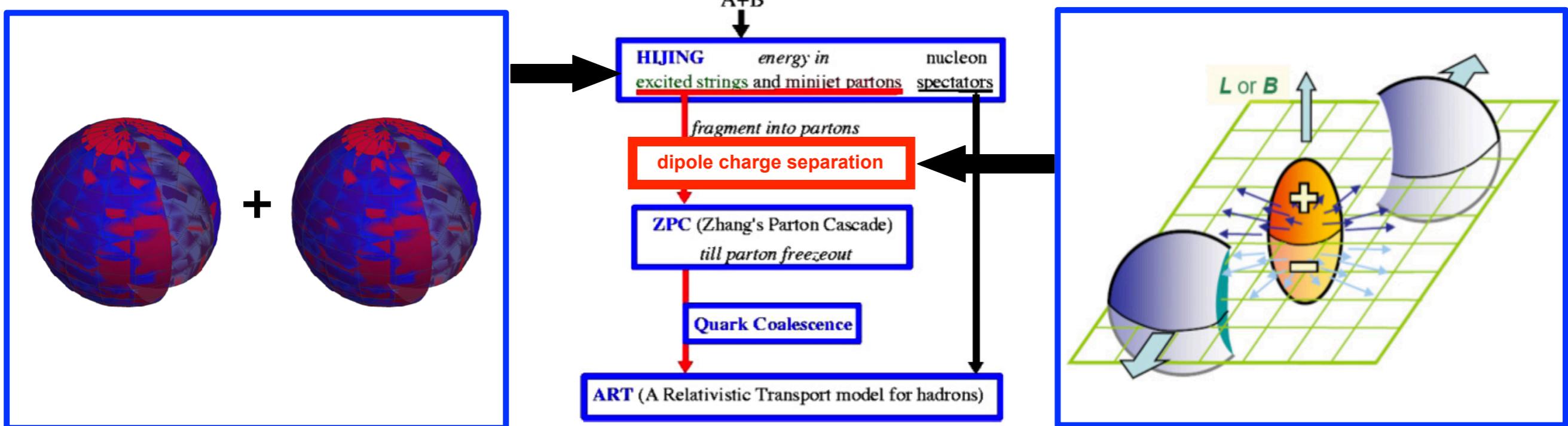
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For 20-50%:

- $\Delta\gamma/v_2$ ratios for $f=0$, **2%** and **5%** are consistent with exp. data, within stat. errors.
- $\Delta\gamma/v_2$ ratios for $f=$ **7.5%** and **10%** are significantly greater than one.
- Due to the non-linear sensitivity of the CME observable?

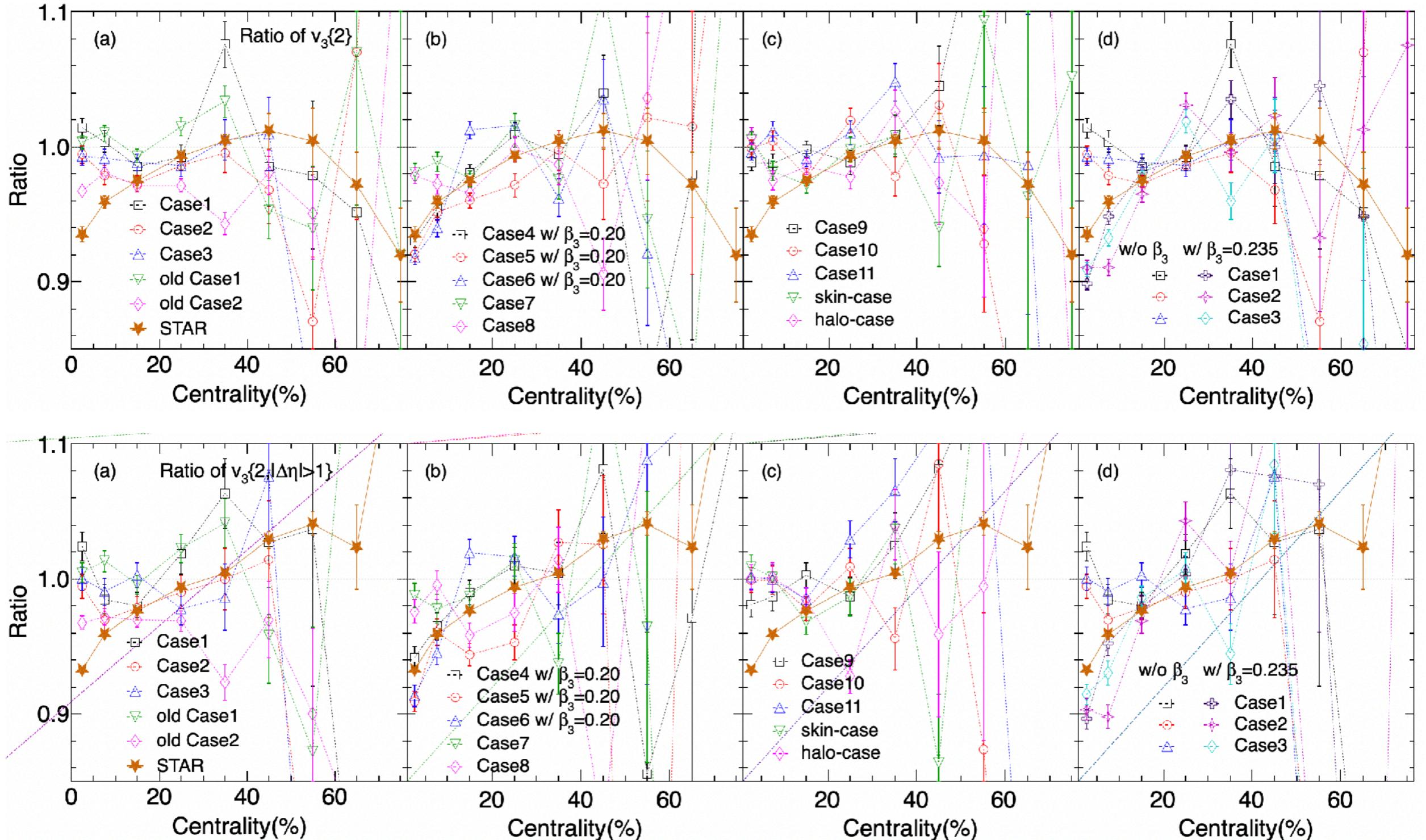
Summary



- Using AMPT model including nuclear structure and CME
 - Final state interactions significantly reduce the CME signal.
 - Non-linear sensitivity of the CME observables due to FSI.
 - The $\Delta\gamma/v_2$ ratio between two isobar systems may not response to the CME if the CME strength $f < 5\%$.

Thanks for your attention!

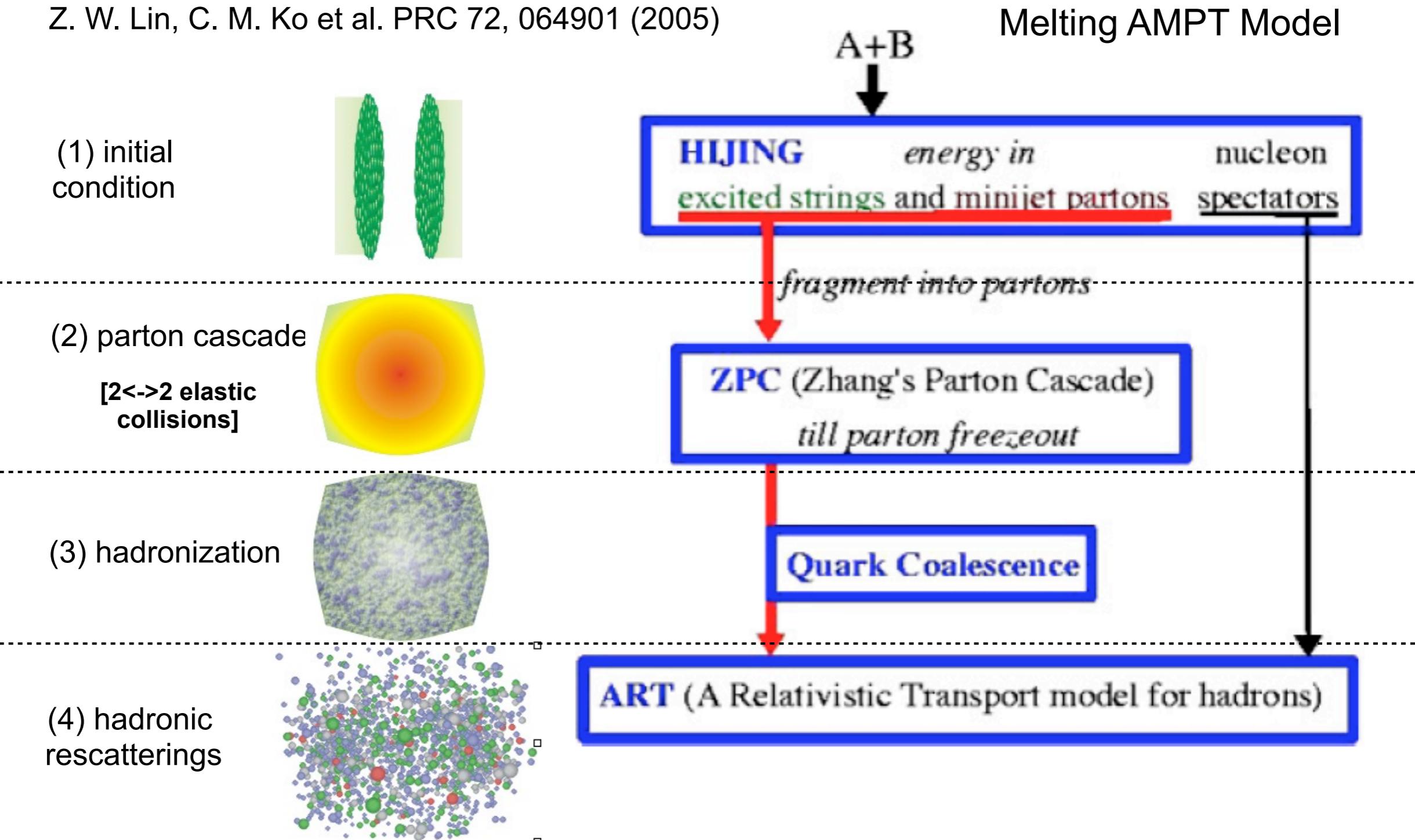
v3 ratio in isobar collisions



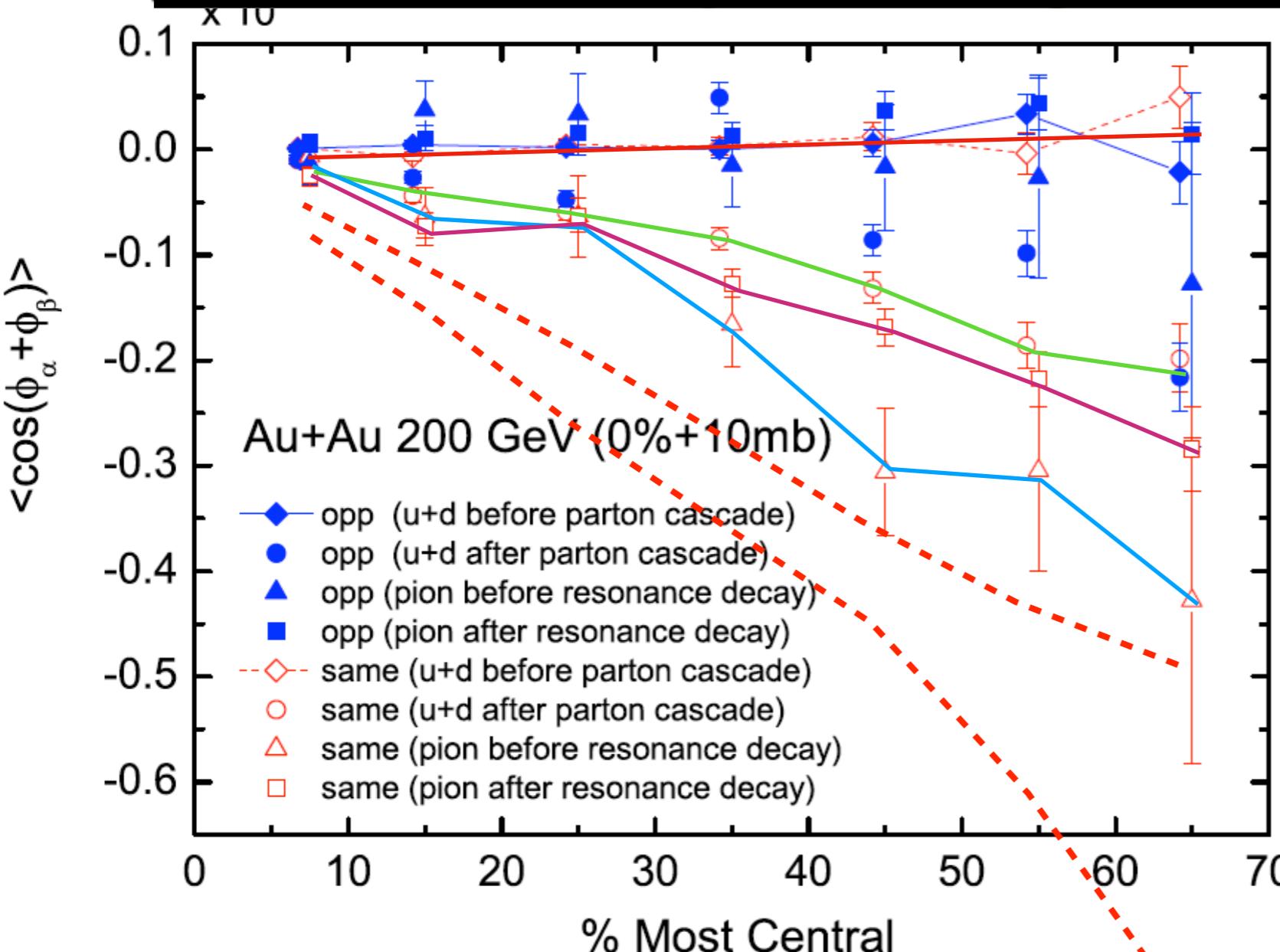
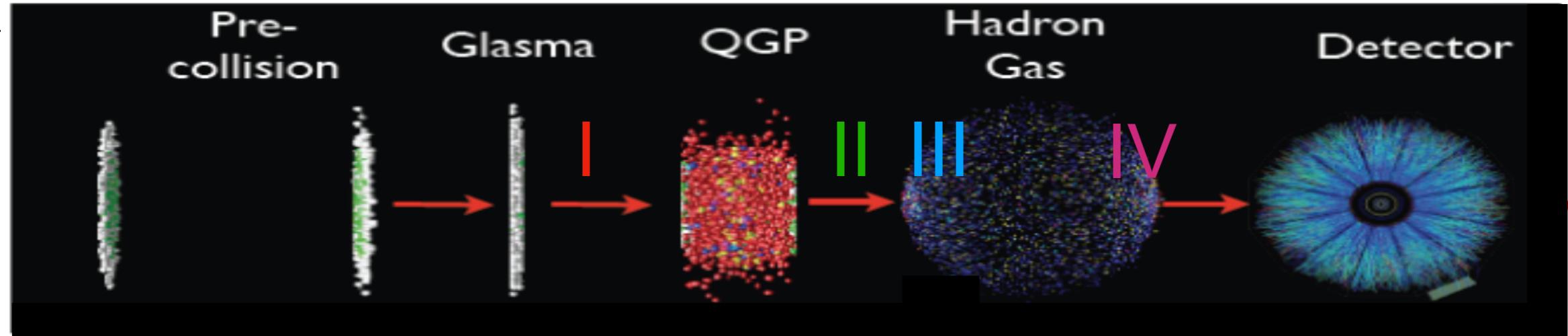
- Our v3 ratios are with large stat. errors due to our limited events. Stay tuned.

A multiphase transport (AMPT) model

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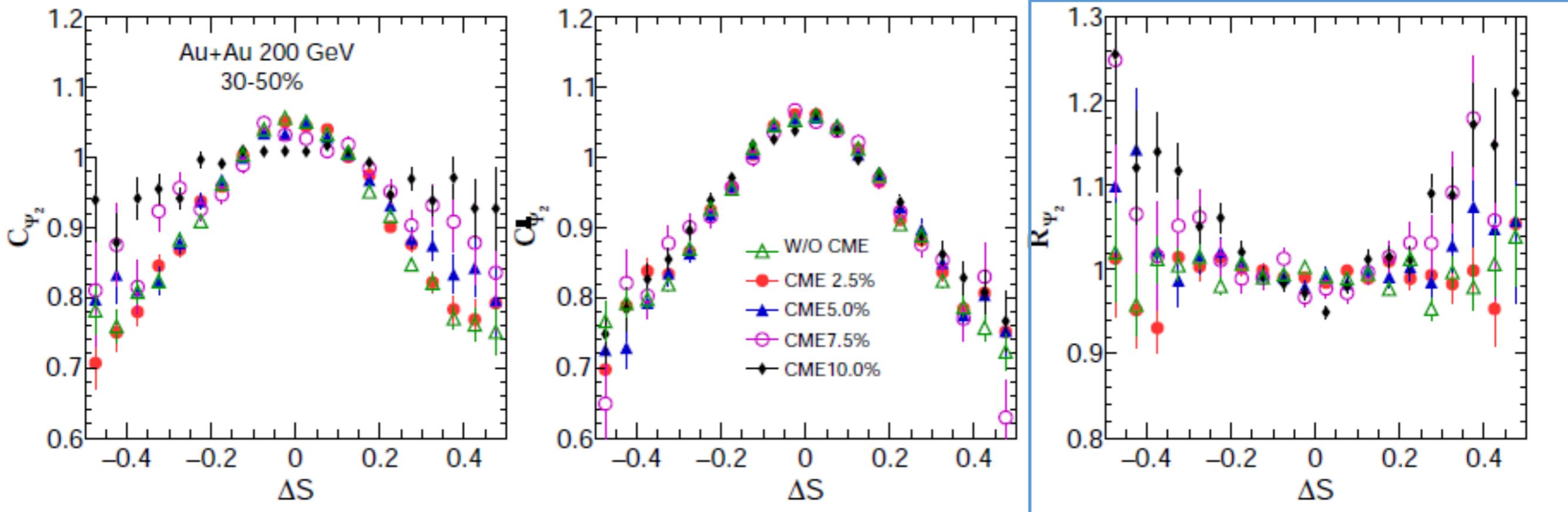
Stage evolution of CME background in AMPT



- I. Opp-charge and same-charge are consistent with zero initially. (\diamond)
- II. being negative through parton cascae due to Flow+TMC. (\circ)
- III. Coalesce enhances same-charge and reduce opp-charge. (\triangle)
- IV. Resonance decays reduce signal. (\square)

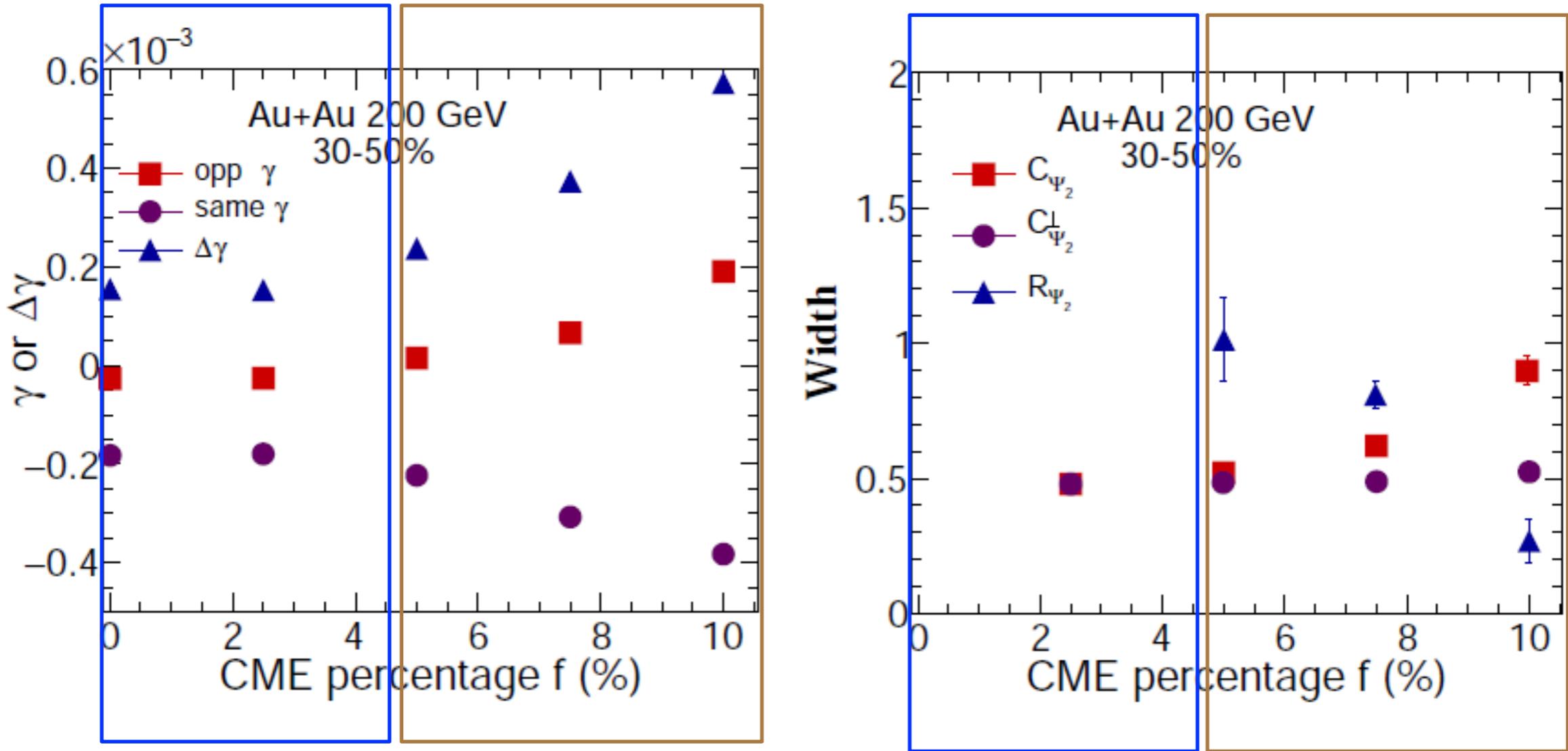
C_{Ψ_2} & R_{Ψ_2} for different CME percentages

AMPT results on R_{Ψ_2} for different initial CME percentages :



- R_{Ψ_2} ($f=2.5\%$) is similar to R_{Ψ_2} (W/O CME), they look flat within current statistics.
- The shape of R_{Ψ_2} ($f>5\%$) is concave
- With increase of CME strength ($f>5\%$), the shape becomes more concave

Sensitivity of $\Delta\gamma$ and R_{Ψ_2} to CME



- γ and R_{Ψ_2} ($f < 5\%$) look similar to those (W/O CME).
- γ and R_{Ψ_2} response to CME strength of $f > 5\%$

★ $\Delta\gamma$ and R_{Ψ_2} are non-linearly response to the CME strength.

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